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# Tube sell-off to raise £2bn for overhaul

By Jonathan Prynn and Philip Webster

THE London Underground is to be sold for £2 billion and the proceeds ploughed back into build-ing a modern network fit for the 21st century, Sir George Young, the Transport Secretary, will an-

nounce today.
Sir George has won key concessions from the Treasury that will allow proceeds from the privatisation to be "ring-fenced". Whoever buys the network will be "drip-fed" the sale proceeds through an annual subsidy that will have to be spent on upgrading the 255-mile

Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, has conceded that privatisation is politically acceptable only with guarantees of investment and Sir George is said to have argued strongly for a "network for the millennium".

The sale of the Tube will be the main privatisation measure in the Tories' proposed fifth term programme. Ministers have gone cool on an outright sale of the Royal Mail, preferring instead to opt for increased "commercialisation" within the Post Office, and they have dropped a plan to privatise Channel 4.:

The Government believes that the improving public image of rail privatisation has given it a window of opportunity to launch the Tube announcement - which had been postponed three times - coincides with the sale of the final former British Rail franchise, ScotRail, to the National Express bus group in

Three main options will be oulined in the White Paper published by Sir George today: a lock stock and barrel sale of the network, a line-by-line sale, and the creation of a Railtrack-style

infrastructure authority with indi-vidual lines franchised to private

Sir George is believed to favour selling a 10 or 20-year franchise for the entire network, with the Government retaining ultimate strate-gic control. There would also be an industry regulator to ensure that services were maintained and investment made, and a cap on fare

Labour, which favours private investment in the Tube while retaining overall strategic control, said last night that the Conserva-tive plans would "sell public assets cheap and delay investment

Labour spokesmen claimed that the scheme would cost thousands of votes in key Tory marginals and Glenda Jackson, the party's London Transport spokeswoman, intends to launch a campaign aimed at ten specific seats, including Enfield, Southgate, which is held by Michael Portillo, and Steven Norris's Epping Forest. Privatisation could cost the Tories ten seats, it could cost them five seats. Either way our message to them is go ahead, make our day," Ms Jackson said.

Andrew Smith, the Shadow Transport Secretary, said that the Tories thought that, through privahands of the mess in which they have left London's transport system. The nightmare vision of a Tory fifth term threatens Tube services and fares for millions of Londoners, bringing more transport chaos to the capital." Ministers have been stung by the sustained criticism from London's business leaders about its underfunding of the Tube and are

convinced that only the private

hurricane force winds in some

parts of the south.

sector can deliver the modern, reliable network that the capital

In a letter to the Prime Minister leaked earlier this month, Sir George said that privatisation proceeds would be in the range of £1.2 billion to £2 billion, and advisers believe that the top end of the range is achievable. Sir George admitted, however, that after subsidy, the net proceeds to the Exchequer could be as low as £600 million, compared with the Tube's net assets of around £7 billion.

The finances of the London Underground, whose annual revenue is nearly £800 million, have steadily improved during the 1990s and last year it made an operating profit of £197 million. However, it needs about £400 to £500 million a year in government support to maintain the system and begin to clear the backlog of modernisation and repairs. In last year's Budget its funding was reduced by £700 million over the next three years, forcing the postponement of more

than 200 projects.

The decision on the Tube privati-sation came as John Major called senior ministers together til "pol-ish" the general election manifesto. Strategists have now pencilled in March 13 as the day that Mr Major will formally announce that would be expected to inform the Queen of his plans after a Cabinet meeting that morning and to use meeting in Bath on the following two days as his election spring-board. Parliament would be dissolved either just before or after Easter to allow for remaining legislation to be rushed through.

'Radical' programme, page 8



An outfit from the Owen Gaster collection being shown during the London Fashion Week yesterday. Elsewhere top-name models were wearing the knitted designs of Lainey Keogh. Page 5

### Police hold the foster father of Billie-Jo

BY EMMA WILKINS

THE foster father of Billie-Jo Jenkins was arrested yesterday by detectives investigating her

Sion Jenkins, 39, a deputy headmaster, was detained overnight at Hastings police station, East Sus-sex. The arrest came nine days after Billie-lo, 13, was bludgeoned to death with an 18-inch metal tent spike as she painted patio doors in the garden of her home.

A spokesman for Sussex police said last night: "A local man in his thirties has been arrested and is being held at Hastings police station in connection with the murder of Billie-Jo Jenkins."

A spokesman refused to confirm or deny that Mr Jenkins was the man helping police with their

inquiries.

Mr Jenkins, who is on compassionate leave from his post at William Parker Comprehensive School for Boys in Hastings, appeared at a press conference three days after the murder with his wife Lois, 35, to appeal for information about the killing. He told the press conference that his family was "devastated" by the murder and paid tribute to his buoyant, articulate, loud and funloving" foster daughter.

On the afternoon of the killing, Mr Jenkins said he was collecting his two eldest daughters, Lottie, 10, and Annie, 12, from a music lesson. It was Lottie who found the battered body of her foster sister when they returned home. The Jenkins, who fostered Billie-Jo five years ago, became her legal guardians in December last year.

The couple have two younger daughters Esther, 9, and Maya, 7, Mr Jenkins is the third man to be arrested in connection with the nurder. A 44-year-old man from Hastings was arrested and released on bail into the care of a secure psychiatric unit last week. A 36-year-old iocai man was also arrested and bailed last week.

Peter Webb, the Jenkins family's immediate neighbour, said he was astonished when told of Mr Jen-kins's arrest. "He's a lovely bloke and I can't believe he did it. He's a hard working, respectable profes-

### Halifax votes for a bank

The vote to convert Halifax Building Society in to a bank was carried by an overwhelming majority of its members. From a total of seven million cligible investing members 5.1 million were in favour and 110,000 against. Of 2.2 million borrowing members, 1.5 million voted in favour and 40,000 against. The average share payout will be about

### Police admission

The chief constable of the West Midlands Police admitted that at the time the Bridgewater Three were arrested it was normal for officers to interrogate suspects before they looked for evi-dence Asked if interrogations And get "rough", he said:

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tanker driver was last night being treated in hospital. The Meteorological Office said the gales were the most sustained period of strong winds since the winter of 1990 which led to the greatest payout by insurance companies for storm damage eclipsing, even, claims for the



# as hurricane threatens

By Lin Jenkins

Three killed on motorway

THREE people died in a motorway crash as Britain braced itself for the worst great storm of 1987. The high winds are likely to last until gales of the winter last night. Winds up to 80 mph were Weathermen were forecasting

forecast for southern counties. A spokesman said: "It's al-



ways difficult to say how much damage will be done but building damage might not be quite as bad as in 1990."

A sopokesman for the Asso-ciation of British Insurers said it was prepared for the worst, but added: The Met Office has been wrong before and we hope they're wrong on this

There were flood warnings in the south west from Land's End eastwards. Coastal communities were told there was the possibility of tides breaching sea defences during the night. The Environment Agency issued "red" warnings for Minehead, Weston-super-Mare and Clevedon in Somerset, and "amber" warnings of waves breaking over sea walls and beaches for north Cornwall, north Devon and the Chesil Bank area in south

### Princess sues over dress profit report

By ALAN HAMILTON

LAWYERS acting for Diana. Princess of Wales, last night Sunday newspaper over allegations that she would personally profit from the impending auction of nearly 100 of her

evening dresses. The step is unprecedented for the Princess. She has never sued for libel, although in 1993 she sued for breach of confidence over secretly-taken pho-tographs of herself in a London gym, and last year brought an action for harassment against a freelance photographer. If the libel action came to court it could involve her appearing in the witness

Libel cases are rarely brought by the Royal Family. for that very reason. The last by a senior royal was in 1910, when the future King George V brought a successful criminal libel action against a

journalist who published a story alleging that the then married in Malta, inferring that he had committed bigarny with Princess May of Teck, the future Queen Mary. In 1990 Viscount Linley won £35,000 damages from Today after it alleged he had been banned from a Chelsea pub for throw-

ing beer over other drinkers. Anthony Julius, the Princess's solicitor, said last night that she was suing Express Newspapers and Richard Addis, Editor of the Express On Sunday, over a front-page story at the weekend suggest-ing that up to half the proceeds from the June sale, which could make up to £4 million, would go to the Princess and only half to charity. Yesterday the Princess's of-

fice strenuously denied the

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### Spies who go into the red lose security clearance

BY MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

SOME of Britain's spies have had their security clearance withdrawn because they have gone chronically into the red.

The parliamentary Intelligence and Security Committee, chaired by Tom King, the former Defence Secretary, yesterday issued a warning about the the activities of Russian intelligence dangers of spies in financial trouble. Services. This threat exists in a

they could be targeted by Russian ents bearing cash.

The committee which provides parliamentary oversight of M16, the Secret Intelligence Service: MI5, the Security Service: and GCHQ, the government communications headquarters in Cheltenham; said Britain was under a continuing threat from

The committee's annual report said climate when personal, financial or career problems can easily develop into security problems if not recognised and addressed at an early

stage," the report said.

The beads of the three agencies, Sir David Spedding, Chief of M16; Stephen Lander, Director-General of MI5: and David Omand, Director of GCHQ; had each told the committee that "financial problems or chronic indebtedness" had been the main

of staff. The committee said: "Signs that individuals are greatly overspending their income, without any visible external means, should be of similar

The committee added that it was "money, rather than ideology" that Continued on page 2, col !

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ainey Keogh. Page 5   sional man," he said.
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# Send in the clones for a Stepford Parliament

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A TORY whip walked in during Questions yesterday and stared for a moment at the loyal Jacques Arnold (C, Gravesham), who talks like a speak-your-weight machine. There was something chilling in the stare. Might the Whips' Office be contemplating cloning? 650 identically loyal Tory candidates with gravelly voices for the election? It should be possible: the biological make-up of an obedient Tory is less

complex than that of a sheep.

But as I watched Michael Heseltine on one of his good-hair days, a better plan occurred. The Deputy Prime Minister, on hand for Questions, had swept back his mane in an ashy-blond helmet.

West Midlands force admitted

yesterday that at the time the

Bridgewater Three were

arrested it was normal for

officers to interrogate suspects before they looked for

Edward Crew said: "Back in

the 1970s we would arrest

somebody, we would interrogate them, and then we might

bother to look for other evi-

Mr Crew, who was at the

time serving as an officer in

the Metropolitan Force, was

asked if the interrogations could ever get "rough". He replied: "Of course they

may face criminal charges

over fabricated evidence in the

innocence (Carol Midgley

Graham Leake, a retired

detective constable, issued a

statement denying he had

acted improperly and assert-

ing that any charges would be

Mr Leake, now a security

guard in the Midlands, was

named in the Court of Appeal

hearing on Friday as one of

two police officers allegedly

involved in the forging of a

confession by one of the Bridgewater Three, Vince Hickey.But David Twigg.

representing the Police Feder-

ation, said he did not believe

there was any evidence to

support charges against Mr

dence if they didn't admit it."

would be a tragedy to consign to the coffin a hairdo upon which so much has been lavished. Why waste it? Corneas, removed from the eyes

of the late Deng Xiaoping, are to be given to medical science for transplant. Might Hezza donate his scalp to medical science, for use on thinning Tony Blair?

Hezza was tackled noisily, yesterday, by Labour's Deputy Leader, John Prescott. What a mouth will be lost to us when Mr Prescott departs this life! Could Prezza's mouth not be preserved, for use by a successor politician less orally

Plus Tony Banks's tongue. A thinking man's barrow boy, the sharp-tongued Labour MP for

Bridgewater focus turns to police

Police ethics were

unknown in 70s.

says police chief

those days there was never,

ever an expectation that police

officers would break the law the substantial change has

come about in the culture in

in the police. They weren't

actually important to us. We

can't go on like that and quite

simply we have moved away

from that, from those sorts of

ways of doing business.
"I have to say that if the penalty we pay is that guilty people walk away and don't

statement he said: "We wish to

make it plain both on behalf of

practice in relation to the

Carl Bridgewater."

investigation of the murder of

He added: "The decision of

the Crown not to oppose the

current appeal by the convict-

ed men appears to have been

triggered by the reported results of a forensic examination

of the written confession of

Patrick Molloy, which are said

to support an allegation that

this confession was induced by

the use of a forged statement

Hickey.
"We are not as satisfied as that

the Crown appear to be that these reported forensic results

lead to this irresistable

inference."

He said that as an officer working then he could not recall "words like ethics and

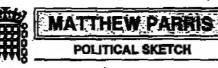
which we work."

Former detective

denies forgery

A FORMER police officer who Leake or others. In the

Carl Bridgewater murder in- Mr Leake and other officers quiry spoke out for the first, whom we represent that our



Newham NW was on his feet to accuse the Tories of accepting stolen money from Asil Nadir, The Conservative party was funded by foreign crooks and foreign fascists". he rapped. Dennis Skinner (Lab. Bolsover) growled angrily away ('yer can ave these sort of fancy Tory gimmicks 7 Skinner's spleen

must be kept for posterity, too.
Alongside Toby Jessell's lungs.
The MP (C) for Twickenham warmed up yesterday with a little rant, about the "Common Market",

Mr Crew said that although

the new safeguards against miscarriages of justice made it

wrongly convicted he could

not ensure that it would not

ever happen again. He said he was sure that the

said that if any of his officers

had committed a criminal

be brought before the courts.

and it applies to everybody the same. I would simply give you a guarantee that where there is evidence of a police officer's

misbehaviour to a criminal

level it will be pursued and people will be put before the courts. I guarantee that there

He gave warning that any

officers or civilian support

staff "is wholly unacceptable and will never be tolerated",

adding that "the end can never

justify the means". Mr Crew

said he did not wish to say

anything "which might affect the likelihood of those who are

responsible for misbehaving

in this case being brought before the courts if there is

Michael Hickey, Vincent

evidence against them".

cated by police officers.

We have a justice system

offence during the Carl

at the courteous and likeable Liam Fox. Jessell's lungs driven by Skinner's spleen: Banks's tongue in Presentt's mouth armed with Tony Blair's teeth framed by Michael Portillo's lips and maned with Heseltine's hair ... the combination would be awesome: we are looking at a truly spectacular politician. Which bit of Paddy Ashdown might be tacked on to our identikit MP. modesty forbids us to propose; here (what with Steven

Tony Banks was back on his feet with a complaint for Michael Alison, answering for the Church Commissioners. Why was the Anglican Church driving away traditionalist Christians with its happyclappy forms of worship, he asked? They go for the hand of God be be laid upon them from above, not to be felt up by someone in the adjacent pew,"

Then a miracle occurred. The mournful Mr Alison made a joke. He accused his termenter, Banks, of being unfit ("alahse") to lead a traditionalist service: for Banks was "shouty-louty," rather than

"happy-clappy".

Up rose a quivering Sir Patrick

Cormack (C. Staffs S) — huffy-puffy

and horry-toity - to reprove the saintly Mr Alison, more holy-poly than roly-poly and for whom the term "rumpy-pumpy" was never

Arty-farty Michael Pabricant (C. Mid-Staffs) wanted Mr Alison to know that at Lichfield Cathedral he had attended a service for girlguides. The MP spoiled our reveries of him in blue skirt and cap by adding, hastily, that he had not attended as a girl guide.

And the House moved to debate,

in Opposition time, the Health Service crisis. Crisis? By 5.30, discounting those who had to attend ex officio, there were four. Tories present, seven Labour MPs and a Liberal Democrat.

# **Minister** retreats

AND FRANCES GIBB

pected to revise his plan to curb the right to jury trials amid reservations from the Prime Minister and other senior members of the Government.

The Home Secretary is likely to tone down his original proposals to remove jury trial for thousands of defendants when he announces a range of measures shortly to speed up the criminal justice system. Mr Major is understood to be worried that such a move, which would be deeply contro-versial with the judiciary and many Conservative MPs, would overshadow Mr Howard's other proposals to break the logiam in the court system. These are expected to be more popular with the electorate nd some are likely to feature

When it emerged last week that Mr Howard was likely to support the curtailment of jury trials for theft, deception, actu-al or grievous bodily harm and handling stolen goods Alastair Goodlad, the chief whip, and Brian Mawhinney. the Conservative chairman, intervened to warn him of a backlash from Tory MPs.

The Home Secretary is now expected to put the idea out to consultation although he will probably express his sympa-thy towards the idea. The proposals to remove the right to elect jury trial — the centrepiece of a Home Office report - will refuel the battle between the Government and

Senior judges would have serious reservations about removing a defendant's right to trial by jury in an estimated 35,000 cases a year. They are also expected to oppose other proposals in the report, particularly the suggestion that a Crown Prosecution Service lawyer should be placed in

### on jury trial curbs By PHILIP WEBSTER

MICHAEL HOWARD IS ex-

in the election manifesto.

the judiciary. each police station.

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### Howard's wife denies call for cut in prisoners' food

THE Home Secretary's wife was yesterday embroiled in a dispute with the former director-general of prisons over allegations that she wanted cuts in the nutritional content of prison food.

Sandra Howard demanded an apology from Derek Lewis, two newspapers and Granada Television, which broadcast the claim last

Hickey and James Robinson night. Mrs Howard is said to be were released on bail on deeply upset at the accusa-tions. John Turnbull, her Friday pending a full appeal hearing on April 8, after the High Court heard that evisolicitor, said: "She is a great dence used during the 1979 murder trial had been fabrideal more liberal than this picture of her suggests. She is upset. She is angry at having

this dumped on her head." Mr Turnbull, of the City firm Linklaters and Paines. said he had written to World in Action, where the allegation was made, The Observer and The Sunday Times, Penguin Books and Mr Lewis seeking an apology and re-traction. He said he had been instructed to tell them that she had never held or expressed any of those views

attributed to ber. She never said or suggested that any actual or pro-posed notritional standards at Her Majesty's Prisons were too ger Turabull said.

Mr Lewis, sacked as direc-tor-general of the Prison Service by Mr Howard, has told World in Action that he was taken aside by Mr Howard's then aide, David Cameron, and told that Mrs Howard believed that "the prison code's requirements to provide a balanced and nutritious diet was somehow too generous for prisoners". In his book, Hidden Agen-

das. Mr Lewis says be was told that Mrs Howard thought that the code's prescription of a balanced nutritous diet was "giving today's offenders much more than they deserved".

### Disposal of BSE cattle 'will take 13 years'

The disposal of more than a million cattle slaughtered because of BSE will take another 13 years under eurrent arrangements. Labour said yesterday. Government cattle remains would have to be stored until 2010 unless the process was accelerated.

John Prescott, Labour's deputy leader, called for a public inquiry into the disposal programme. He un-veiled a map of Britain showing the sites where remains are being stored and where carcasses could be rendered if further contracts were signed. Every community would be affected by "the legacy of this incompetence and mismanagement".

### Millennium man

the London Docklands Develepment Corporation, is to be the new chief executive of the Millennium Commis-sion. He will take over next month from Jennifer Page, who left last mouth to oversee the Millennium Exhibition at

### Betts case rerun

A trenager has gone on trial for the second time accused of being involved in supply-ing Ecstasy to Leah Betts, who died at her 18th birthday party. Steven Packman, 19. of Laindon, Essex, was the first link in the supply chain, Norwich Crown Court was told. He denies the charge.

### Welcome return

Victor Read, 32, from Cornwall, the scientist kidnapped in Ecuador's rainforest, yesterday ate his first hearty meal after a week of eating fried ants and manioc, and is resting on a comfortable bed after nights on mats in a bamboo hut, a British Embassy official said.

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Food poison clue

A private water supply con-taninated with animal waste is being investigated as a source of an Ecoli food people have the infection tak-ing the total to six. They were among guests at a Burns Sup-per at Roberton village hall.

### Miner trapped

A miner was trapped last night after a rock fall 12 niles inside a drift mine. Four colleagues were rescued and taken to hospital after the accident at the Castle mine, near Blenkinsopp Castle, Northumberland. The Mines Rescue Service was working to free the miner.

### Steele chassis

Tommy Steele's black 1955 Morris Minor convertible with 45,000 miles on the clock was sold for £4,140 in a Brooks car auction at Olympia, west London. The car-bad had three owners from new. A 1959 Ferrari Super-America was sold for £96,100 to an American.

### Hawaii alive-o 🐇

The American police series Hawaii Five-O. last screened in Britain in 1991, is to be revived. Jack Lord. who played the detective Steve McGarrett in the original series and now lives in recluse in Hawaii, is believed to bave been offered a cameo role in the new series.

### Spies in the red to lose clearance

was the principal motivation of people betraying their countries. Members of MI6, MI5 and GCHQ are paid at Civil Service rates.

MI6 officers who have their clearance withdrawn have to leave the service because "ail, or virtually all, M16 staff have to be vetted," a security source said. The committee said personal problems might not be apparent when an agent starts. "Hence the continuing importance of effective application of security procedures, such as frequent and, at times, random vetting reviews," the report said.

The defences against Russian attempts to penetrate the British intelligence services were "not as strong as they should be", the report said. It called for investigations into individuals' bank balances and "physical searches" of staff entering and leaving agency buildings.

The committee report was published in the light of the Aldrich Ames case in the United States. The former senior CIA officer pocketed £1.5 million from the Russians in return for betraying American secrets on a vast scale. Nine CIA agents were executed because of his betrayal, and Mr King said yesterday that

the latest information indicated that several others may also have been killed. The report concluded, however, that damage to Britain's security arising from the Ames case was not serious.

Mr King insisted at a Cabinet Office ress conference that there was "absolutely no evidence" of an Ames-style traitor operating in any of the British agencies. However, the report quoted the words of John Deutch, the former head of the CIA, who said: "There is only one thing worse than finding a spy in your organisation and that is not finding a spy in your

### Princess sues for libel

report. Fashion experts expect the sale of her dresses to make at least £4 million. Rumours. emanating from America, that she would split the proceeds between berself and her charities, were ridiculed by her staff, who pointed out that under the terms of her divorce the Princess is barred from any commercial undertaking that would benefit her financially. They said she would

even be paying her own fare to

New York to publicise the arch-rival, Christie's, will paauction at a fundraising dinner.

Proceeds from the sale are to be divided between two of her remaining charities, the Royal Marsden Hospital in west London, a leading cancer institution of which she is president, and the Aids Crisis Trust, of which she is patron. There will not have been an

auction like it since Sotheby's sold the Duchess of Windsor's jewels in Geneva. Today their

rade details of nearly 100 evening dresses which they will auction in New York on June 26.

The dresses going to auction are far from being the Princess's entire evening wardrobe. After nearly 16 years on the public stage, she. is thought to have amassed many hundreds of formal evening outlits, some paid for by the Duchy of Cornwall, some given free by designers.

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driven by Ng. On the second Palumbo and Harris flew

from London to Spain, return-

On the third trip Palumbo again flew out of London with

Harris, again staying in Spain for two days, and on the fourth

and final trip Palumbo flew to Spain with Ng. Illingworth was the driver on the final

illingworth and Ng had said they had no idea drugs were involved. Palumbo, who

had joined the police force in 1986, was posted to Stoke Newington Police Station and

transferred to Lime House Police Station in about 1992. In June 1992 he was

suspended after allegations of

corruption were made into his

the arrest of a crack cocaine

dealer. In November 1995 he

that during the suspension from 1992 to 1995 he had been

under pressure and was on

medication because of the

impending proceedings and was asked by Harris to go on the trips to Spain so he could

get away from it all. "I have been used by Harris. I had

nothing to do with the drugs.

If I had known about the drugs I would have told

A Customs spokesman said

after the case: "We have

received full co-operation from

the Met. There is no sugges-tion of other police officers being involved.

someone," he said.

Palumbo had told the court

was acquitted.

ing two days later.

three trips."

'Bent copper' is

jailed for £2m

cannabis plot

A CONSTABLE in the Metropolitan Police was jailed for ten years yesterday for his part

in a £2 million plot to smuggle cannabis into Britain. Ronald

Palumbo, 31, from Chingford

in Essex, was one of four men sentenced at Canterbury

Judge Rooke, QC, told Palumbo: "With your police service, you should have

known better. In fact, you are

what's known as a bent copper in an otherwise hon-

Kenneth Harris, 43, of

Welling, southeast London,

the leader of the group and

father-in-law of Palumbo, was jailed for 12 years, David Ng. 37, of Winchester Road

London, for ten years, and

John Illingworth, 39, of

The IS-day trial had been told that a large quantity of

cannabis with a street value of

more than £2 million had been

found expertly concealed in a trailer of a lorry owned by

Harris. The lorry was stopped

at Dover Eastern Docks in

James Vine, for the prosecu-tion, said: "Four trips had been made by this lorry and trailer during the latter half of 1995 and Harris was the

organiser of the whole enter-

prise." Palumbo travelled out

on all four trips, usually

returning by air. On the first

of the trips Palumbo went in the cab of the lorry being

London, for nine years.

southeast

Crown Court.

ourable force."

Greenwich.

# Superman actor to return in remake of Hitchcock classic

CHRISTOPHER REEVE, the Superman actor paralysed in a horseriding accident two years ago, is to make his screen comeback in a remake of Rear Window, the Hitch-cock thriller about a wheelchair-bound photographer.

Reeve has agreed to take the role played by James Stewart in the 1954 film, which tells the story of the news photographer who, confined to his room after breaking his leg in

a car crash, sees a murder in a neighbouring flat.

The original film co-started Grace Kelly as Stewart's girl-friend. The new film will closely follow the original plot. Instead of a girlfriend, however, Reeve will have a male medical assistant. That male medical assistant. That role has not yet been filled.

It will be Reeve's first major role since the accident that left him paralysed from the neck down. He has become a staunch disabled rights campaigner and last year made his directoral debut with In the Gloaming, a film about a young man with Aids who returns home to die. The film stars Glenn Close, Whoopi

boy and his mother.

The Rear Window remake will try to recapture the claustrophobia of the original, with the plot unfolding from the vantage point of the man in the wheelchair. The new

Court ruling in 1990.
The short story, It Had To Be Murder, by Cornell Woolrich, on which Rear Window was based, was first published in Dime Detective Magazine in 1942. Woolrich sold the film rights in 1945 and Mr Abend bought them for \$650 in 1971. When the film was re-released in 1983, Mr Abend sued MCA its distributors. Hitchcock's heirs and Stewart (a trustee of the Hitchcock estate), de-manding a share in the \$12

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available to people with dis-

abilities, such as voice-activat-

ed lighting, telephones, window blinds and cameras.

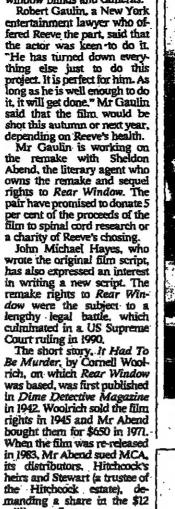
His victory established the "Abend Rule" to guarantee that authors or their heirs can profit from their works if their



return to a major role

Reeve made a brief appearance last year in an American television film, A Step Toward Tomorrow, in which he played a quadriplegic who tries to bring confort to a paralysed

version will try to make the



# value has soured during the course of their 28-year copy-

### Man found at low tide in Thailand 'murdered'

Grace Kelly and James Stewart get claustrophobic in Hitchcock's gripping 1954 classic Rear Window

BY ANDREW DRUMMOND AND STEPHEN FARRELL

A BRITISH tourist found with weights tied to his feet off a pier in a remote fishing village in Thailand could have been the victim of a That matia killing, police said.

The officer leading the investigation into the death of Geoffrey Chapman, who was found at low tide in Srirachs, 100 miles southeast of Bangkok, is treating it as suicide. But police in the nearby beach resort of Pattaya said it appeared to be murder. One officer said: When the mafia want to make a point, they make sure the body is found."

Mr Chapman, 54, a pylon

erector from Scarborough, North Yorkshire, was found on Sunday. One report said he was attached to the balcony of a fisheries building with one rope round his neck and another round his waist. His ankles were tied to a rock.

Peter Chapman, Mr Chap-man's older brother, said last night that the family had been told he was murdered. He said his brother, who is estranged from his wife and has two grown-up children, regularly travelled to Thailand on his own during long breaks from working in Germany.

### Church helps to pay for vicar's drink treatment

By JOANNA BALE

cil is to pay £2,500 towards the cost of sending its vicar to a clinic that deals with alchohol dependence. The Rev Edward Coombes of St Bartholomew's Church, Edgbaston, Birming-ham, spent two and a half weeks in the private Woodbourne Clinic in the city. His

treatment cost £8,000. Mr Coombes, 57, said last night: "I just woke up one morning and decided that I needed treatment at the clinic. I have visited patients there before, but decided that I

needed help. The generosity of the PCC is a marvellous story. I paid the rest myself. The dedicationof the doctors was wonderful." Lee Reed, director of the 45bed psychiatric hospital, said the vicar would have been at its Manor Clinic, which specialises in addictions. He said: "I cannot comment on particular cases but we do have an addictions unit which

deals primarily with alcohol and drug addicts. "We use a 12-step pro-gramme which involves a mixture of group, individual and family counselling. We deal with people with all kinds

A PAROCHIAL church counciluding depression and eating disorders, but anyone seekir treatment here must have been referred to us by their GP or by another medically quali-

fied consultant." Joe Heaton, the church warden, said that Mr Coombes admitted himself as a patient in July and resumed his duties after being discharged. He said: "On hearing of Mr Coombes' admission to Woodbourne, the parochial church council immediately expressed its confidence and goodwill towards him, agree-ing that it would meet up to 50 per cent of the costs arising

from his treatment. They agreed that this money would come from a reserve account containing, among other funds, money from various bequests intended for the benefits of the church and the ciergy.

"This is an entirely separate account from the main operating account which contains money given in the church

"It was a gesture on our part. Mr Coombes at no time came to us asking for any money. He has now resumed his duties and seems to be

# Sir Norman Foster's masterpiece in steel.

Not for the first time, Sir Norman Foster examines the familiar stainless steel Rolex GMT-Master on his wrist.

The Spice Girl Geri ruled the Brit Awards at rehearsals yesterday. The group,

who made their musical debut less than a year ago, won nominations in five categories of the annual awards presented at London's Earls Court last night

"I would say it is a design classic," he says, then continues by explaining that he admires how functional it is, how simply and directly it communicates information to him, and how he uses its rotatable bezel to check way-points when he is piloting his helicopter.

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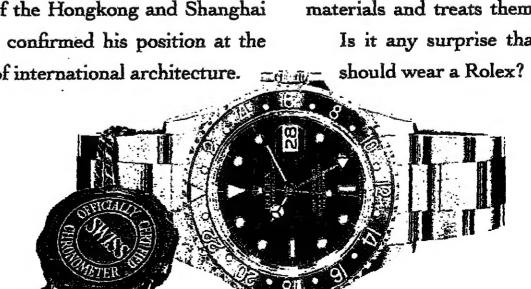
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### The sticky question is: are "biscuits birds of a feather?

BY DANIEL MCGRORY

CONFUSED shoppers explained to a judge yesterday how they mistakenly purchased a Puffin when scouring their supermarkets to pick up a Penguin. United Biscuits, which sells

£35 million worth of Penguins a year, has accused Asda of trying to usurp its bestselling brand with a blatant imitation

launched Penguins more than 60 years ago, is suing the supermarket chain for trademark infringement after it launched its Puffin brand last year. Both depict cartoon characters of a seabird on their wrappers and are rough-) ly the same size, which United Biscuits say is intended to lure its loyal shoppers

Deborah Smith told the High Court how when her



millions of pounds

husband espied a Puffin in Asda he called it "a rip off". "I said it must be United Biscuits making it for Asda. It seemed so blatant it was a

Penguin in disguise." Pauline Bennett explained her confusion to the court. "Both are water birds. Both begin with P and end in N." "What about pigeon," she was asked by Gordon Pollock. QC, for Asda. "That does not hang around water," she

Jamie Wilson, who works for United Biscuits, said he was among those who anthe Internet from his compa-ny's trademark department asking for anyone who was confused by the brands.

He was shopping with his mother Muriel who mistak-enly selected a Puffin. "I assumed it was our own-label brand and I thought it a bit silly to produce something as similar as one of our premier brands," he said.

Michael Bloch for United

Biscuits said: "To an ornithologist there may be a clear distinction between a puffin and a penguin. The question is not whether a careful and perspicacious purchaser would be misled. One takes one's customers as one finds them and that includes people who are in a hurry, people who are old or very young. The principal complaint is that people will believe Puffin is manufactured by the plaintiff." The case continues.

## Silenced Mrs Blair stars in Wirral test run for election

CHERIE BLAIR sparkled yesterday in the role of party leader's wife when she joined her husband in Wirral South in a dress rehearsal for the general election. But it was a

starring part with no lines. Mrs Blair shook hands enthusiastically and was, in turns, sympathetic, concerned, inquiring and even flirtatious as she met doctors, nurses and patients on a tour of Arrowe Park Hospital in

Upron, Merseyside. The Labour Party eased her on to the electoral stage in a tightly managed attempt to woo voters before Thursday's poll and to counter the threat posed by Norma Major, the Prime Minister's vaunted secret weapon".

With spin doctors at her shoulder, Mrs Blair was not allowed to fluff her lines on her first big day on the stump. She did not have any. To counter unwelcome comparisons with Hillary Clinton and

### WIRRAL SOUTH

☐ 1992 general election: Barry Porter (C. 25,590); Helen Southworth (Lab. 17.407); Ed Cunniffe (LD. 6.581). Majority: 8,183.

a First Lady. Mrs Blair will not speak directly to the press, give interviews or make speeches during the general election campaign to come.

Instead Mrs Blair, who as Cherie Booth, QC. earns a sixfigure salary, will join her husband whenever her work commitments allow", where she will look good on his arm and carry on shaking hands and chatting while he peels off to deliver the sound-bite interviews. "She has seen what has happened to other politician's spouses," one aide said.

Arrowe Park, a bustling NHS hospital with 1,271 beds, was a carefully chosen venue for the kind of role she will be playing in the weeks to come.

and minders following Mr and Mrs Blair round the wards ensured that she was not questioned directly or ambushed by pressmen.

The visit was masterminded by Alastair Campbell, Mr Blair's chief press secretary, and his wife, Fiona Millar. Mrs Blair's press adviser. As soon as Mrs Blair spotted a notebook or camera she

The Labour leader said: She will be out with me at times during the general election campaign but it does not alter, in any way, the position she has taken. We are in politics - if you don't like the heat, you do not come into the kitchen. She has her own career and she is very happy with that. I am delighted to have her here."

In a reference to the photoraph published last week of Mrs Blair caught off guard in a voluminous woollen jersey, he added: "I apologise for that jumper but I liked it."

It was Mr Blair's third visit A caravan of party officials' to the Wirral South constitu-



Tony and Cherie Blair at Arrowe Park Hospital in Upton, Merseyside, yesterday on their visit to the Wirral South by-election campaign

ency. Yesterday he concen-trated on the NHS; reflecting the concerns of voters in a recent opinion poll. His message was that there is a growing crisis in Wirral's hospitals with 6,000 patients on waiting lists and one in four patients waiting at least six months for treatment.

But Mrs Blair was steering

point she turned to a porter she asked pensioner volun-wearing a T-short with the words. Portering services, the sweet counter. Evelyn Wirral Hospital and told him flirtatiously: "You look hand-some." "What, in a 13 tee shirt?" a benused Peter Wil-

son replied. While her husband was giving interviews, Mrs Blair sped off towards the hospital's

Baxter, one of the 101 volunteers, said afterwards: "She was very pleasant, not at all uppity. Some of these people are. I relate to people as they are and she was very interest-

ed in what was going on." dren's ward, the Blairs presen-

ted a gift of a moddler's activity table. "Who's that touching my bottom?" asked Mrs Blair as she squatted to talk to one little girl playing with a toy car. The culprit was four-year-

old Lee Abbott, who was pushing past the Labour leader's wife to get to the toy sweet shop. "It brings back memo-ries for us." Mr Blair said.

tary, was told her red and yellow badge supporting Ben Chapman, Labour's candidate, was pretty. Meeting Mrs Blair was a bonus. "She is

Aides made it clear that Mrs Biair had specially requested to accompany her husband. It gave her a chance to visit relatives on Merseyside,

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### Big rise in agency staff 'cuts quality of hospital care'

By Jeremy Laurance, Health Correspondent

and nurses are increasingly being used to fill the gap left by staff shortages in NHS hospitals and to save money, medical organisations said

yesterday. New figures show that average spending by acute hospi-tals on agency staff rose 63 per cent in 1993-96 while total spending on all staff rose 10 per cent. The average acute hospital now spends £1.3 million a year on agency staff compared with £807,000 three years ago. Many of the agency

Trusts published yesterday. show that Walsail Hospitals NHS Trust increased its spending on agency staff by 200 per cent in 1993-96 compared with a 24 per cent

increase in total staff costs. The United Bristol Healthcare NHS Trust recorded a 105 per cent increase in agency staff costs compared with a 16 per cent rise in total spending on staff. King's Healthcare NHS Trust in London increased its agency staff bill by 30 per cent while the total

MOONLIGHTING doctors shelf bill rose 4.2 per cent. John Spiers, chairman of the Patients' Association said: This is a disturbing trend. Moonlighting staff equals half-cared-for patients. What we want is proper staffing in the NHS by up-to-date people with high morale and commit-ted to their employer."

The Royal College of Nursing said the trend reflected the shortage of nurses. "Agency nurses should be used to fill gaps when staff are sick or on holiday. Now they are being used to fill permanent contracts. We are concerned because they should not be seen as a replacement for properly staffed wards." Jan Baum of the Nightin-

employment agency, and chair of the Nursing Managers Forum at the Royal College of Nursing, said that commercial agencies could not meet the demand for nurses from NHS trusts. "We used to be the emergency service but now whole wards are staffed by temporary nurses. NHS trusts are spending a fortune trying to recruit staff. The Government won't accept that there is general shortage of nurses. It has got to be bad for



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### Home Office overcomes lawyers' doubts

# Juries to see police videos of suspects' interviews

VIDEOTAPES of police interviewing suspects are to be played in courts under government plans to provide greater protection for both the police and alleged criminals. The Home Office has overcome doubts within the Crown Prosecution Service and the Lord Chancellor's Department over

using the tapes. A pilot project will be dou-bled to involve at least eight forces. At present interviews are videotaped in some parts of Kent, the Metropolitan area, West Mercia and the West Midlands.

With costs of setting up the equipment nationally estimated at more than £100 million, It is likely to be years before-routine videotaping of sus-pects under questioning is introduced to the 43 forces in England and Wales. The wider pilot project will take at least two years to complete

David Maclean, a minister at the Home Office, said that successful trials had also been carried out in Scotland, "It's only shown in court in those

cases where it adds some extra value. It's not done routinely. "It's an extra safeguard for

suspects, they find in Scot-land, it's an extra safeguard for police officers as well. So I think it's a technology whose time has come."

Detective Chief Superin-

tendent Peter Wilson, head of Lothian and Borders CID, said that the force had video cameras in 26 police stations and filmed 7,000 interviews a year. Only rarely were videos shown in court. That decision was taken by the Procurator

"In one case we had a suspect being asked about his denial of involvement in an incident. The police officer sits back and then you see the suspect wipe a tear from his eye, lay his head on the desk. He is crying. That can all be shown as evidence," he said. The proposal was backed by

the Labour Party, lawyers and the Association of Chief Police Officers. David Phillips, Chief Constable of Kent, said: "What is really important to a jury is to see wherever pos-

focus what happens in the interview room," Mr Ede said.
But some defence lawyers sible what really happened, rather than simply to have police officers' recollections." Lawyers welcomed

expressed concern. Jim Nicholl, solicitor for the Bridgewascheme in the light of the growing use by police of confession evidence. Roger ter Three, said that he was worried that the video would Ede, secretary of the Law Society's criminal law combe used to show the body language of a defendant under mittee, said that the society, which represents 65,000 solici-tors in England and Wales,

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people could still be convicted

on the basis of uncorroborated

confessions, he added. The use

of confession evidence was on

"A senior police officer said

recently that confessions were back in vogue as the principal

means of obtaining evidence.

So that brings even more into

the increase.

are also recorded," he said. England and Wales were among the few places where

"I find that really quite disturbing," he said, "Quite was in favour of videotaping.

We think the jury should have a complete picture of what takes place during an often police officers will have a young suspect and say 'Oh, you think that's funny do you, why are you smiling? Now interview, although to achieve that it is essential that everyreally the young suspect is smiling because they're quite frightened and you get a including the suspect's lawyer pervous smile.

What the suspect would be faced with is a very experi-enced police officer who would have worked out all the bodylanguage questions in an attempt to implicate the suspect and a suspect who was very frightened, with a solicitor or not with a solicitor. It would be quite wrong for those

Catwalk

queens

turn out

for Irish

unknown

By Grace Bradberry

NAOMI CAMPBELL and Helena Christiansen led a

roll call of top-name models appearing in the catwalk show of a little-known Irish

designer on the second day of London Fashion Week.

On Sunday, Vivienne Vestwood used unknown

choolgirls in her show, and the Italian designer Minocia Prada's only supermodel was Stella Tennant. But the east

of Lainey Keogh's show yes-terday amounted to a who's who of the catwalk: Honor

Fraser, Jodie Kidd, Sophie Dahl — granddaughter of Roald — Iris Palmer and

Alexander McQueen's muse, Isabella Blow, was the

out for the knitwear designer was all down to connection

Ms Christiansen, who

prompted applause in an intricate gold crochet sheath dress said: "I'm a close friend

wanted to do her a favour so I

flew in specially. I wear ber

sweaters and the dresses feel

Ms Keogh is friends with

the members of the band U2

and they gave her exclusive

use of their new album, Pop. as the show's soundtrack. Ms Campbell, who was once en-

raged to U2 member Adam Clayton, was also appearing

storm in a barely-there green

symetrical lace-work dress. Ms Keogh, who creates

curemely intricate crochet

and lacework sweaters and

the colours of the Irish land-

woolly dresses to skin-tight,

The organisers of a major charity fashion show could

not match Ms Keogh in

securing the supermodels'

services. In preference to the show in aid of Tommy's

Campaign, the Great Or-mond Street Hospital chari-

ty, Jerry Hall and Kate Moss

Fraser had been the main

name in the show of Owen

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# surgery as woman

By DOMINIC KENNED!

side. The resolution was to



Dr Browne in his surgery yesterday and, top left, as he was before he asked to be known as Joanna

each other and good friends, which is important for the children. My greatest regret in all of this process is that it is a source of stress and upset for

David Kenny, 40, a patient,

### Venice day trip recalled with sighs ground during the seven-hour . only landmarks they saw were



day trip to Venice saw less of the glories of the city of canals than they had expected (Damian Whitworth writes). Their flying visit became

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mountain peaks as the jet circled above the Alps. The passengers, who paid [159 each, said that modern

communications systems should have stopped the jet taking off it Italy was shrouded in fog. They will receive a

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flight was when it stopped to

Sex-swap **GP** makes debut at-

A FAMILY doctor who is to change sex held his first surgery dressed as a woman yesterday. Before his return to work, wearing a dark skirtsuit and orange blouse, Dr John Browne spoke of the distress caused to his wife and five children by his desire to become a woman.

The GP, who wrote to 15,000 patients asking them to call him Josura, said: The fact that this conflict existed was the cause of enormous upset for Shirley for the last five years." Mrs Browne has said that she feels like she has been

Dr Browne, 46, said: "I was first aware I did not fit in when I was four, and I was referred to a specialist when I was 17. I sought consciously to emphasise my macho side because I thought it would make all the internal difficulties go away. This was why I took up male-oriented pursuits like rock-climbing, sports and building, to demonstrate to myself that the problem had

gone away. Clearly that process included getting married and having children. Inevitably, the internal conflicts had not gone away. Increasingly, as the years went by, this was evilent to myself and my wife. paths diverged and we realised the only way to resolve this conflict was to recognise that my female side was in conflict with the male

change the male side." Three years ago Dr Browne left the family home and moved a mile away. His wife lives with their children, aged 6 to 19. "I have a very high regard for Shirley and very great respect that she continues to be a mother of our children, and is successful as a full-time school teacher," he

We remain supportive of

the children." Dr Browne said he would continue to practise at St Bartholomew's medical centre, Oxford, because he owed it to his patients. Dozens of them had sent letters of support. "If they thought of me as caring and capable in the past, then

one's physical appearance makes not the slightest difference to how the brain works,"

said yesterday: "I'm not going

thought I had problems but they're nothing compared with what he must have gone through. He's a good doctor and that's not going to

Dr Browne, who has been taking female hormones for

opted to appear for Stella McCartney, daughter of Paul McCartney. Earlier in the day, Honor two years, will have a £9,000 sex change operation, at his own expense, next month. He said: "I talk about John in the makes a fundamental differ-

ence to how one thinks of oneself. I will feel completely different about myself when I am in the correct body and have the correct appearance."

fiction style tailoring and skin-tight trousers. He pro-duced a streamlined collection in greys and pinks, with a symmetrical tails to some of the jackets.

### Scots are not a race apart, industrial tribunal decides

FOUR airline stewards who claimed British Airways discriminated against them because they were Scottish had their case thrown out

An industrial tribunal in Glasgow ruled that the case could not proceed under race relations laws because Scots did not belong to a different ethnic race to the English.

The stewards had claimed that they were treated differently from their English colleagues during company reorganisation in September 1993, when they were trans-ferred from cabin crew jobs in the Highlands and Islands Division of BA to mainline services based in London.

They said that their new positions took no account of their years of service in Scotland. In contrast, stewards moving from Manchester and Birmingham at the same time had their past records taken

31, from Glasgow, Aileen Rawes, 41, from Houston, Dorothy McGowan, 42, from Elderslie, and Mark Boyce, 34. from Paisley, all near Glasgow, said that between them they had lost a total of 38 years' service, which drastically reduced their chances of promotion and placed them at the bottom of the seniority list

for cabin staff. They are still employed by the airline. Hugh Murphy, the tribunal chairman, ruled that BA had not discriminated against them on racial grounds because they were of the same racial group as those with whom they sought to compare themselves. A claim by BA that the complaint was time-

expired was rejected.

At an earlier hearing in December, BA denied discrimination and said the case should not go ahead on two technicalities: that Scots and English shared the same eththe three-month time limit. Bill Spiers, the solicitor representing the four cabin crew, said: "In my view it is patently obvious to everyone there is a separate Scots ethnic group with a separate Scots identity. Scots have a separate legal system, their own design, music, dance, cuisine, accent, use of language." The Scots were recognised as a separate ethnic group for sport and the Government placed signs at

the border. In a similar, unrelated case, a senior police officer in Scotland has claimed he was ignored for promotion because he is English.

A report is expected in the next few weeks on whether the industrial tribunal can examine the case of Graham Power. 49. the Yorkshire-born Deputy Chief Constable of Lothian and Borders. He alleges he was left off the shorlist for the position of Chief Constable of

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### Mouthwatering sale cooked up for recipe buffs

By ROBIN YOUNG

CHEFS have the chance to acquire the means to recreate their predecessors' greatest dishes when a collection of historic cook books is auctioned at Sotheby's in April.

The collection of 100 books includes

cook books in existence, as well as handwritten family recipe books handed down for generations. The recipes range from dishes fit for kings through to cures for "hectick feavour in children", the medieval

equivalent of hyperactivity.
The books include Royal Cookery

cook at St James's, Hampton Court and Windsor, serving monarchs from Charles II to Queen Anne for almost half a century. His book, published in 1710 and expected to fetch up to £900, includes 35 different engraved bills of fare, many for the Royal Family, and including "hash'd

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### Princely praises help to cross gulf in conversation

THE Prince of Wales yesterday sang the praises of his remarkable grandmother as he met the Emir of Bahrain on the second leg of his trade-promoting tour of Gulf states. In one of those formal welcoming meetings when conversation is in danger of becoming shifted or failing altogether, the Prince spoke to his host with enthusiasm and obvious pride about Queen

Elizabeth the Queen Mother. "My grandmother is ex-traordinary; she'll be 97 in August," he told Sheikh Isa. bin Sulman Al Khalifa on his arrival in the kingdom on board the Royal Yacht Britannia, making her last major The operation on my grandmother's hip has revolutionised her Now she's back to Scottish dencing again; you couldn't stop her," the Prince enthused. "She's phenomenal, but thank goodness because she is a very

special person."

The Emir, however. The Emir, however, ap-peared more interested in the fate of Britannia, which cut a majestically through the clear waters of the Gulf on her first visit to Bahrain in 18 years, and undoubtedly her last. The ruler expressed his surprise to the Prince that Britain should want to give up the yacht; he is the decision to retire her later this year. There was no sug-gestion, however, that he had put in an offer.

replied: "We value it greatly." Manfully, the two men kept the conversation going for the benefit of the attendant press. "We like to be close to each other to talk frankly," the Emir said of his guest seated tered with: "I'm always able to do that with the Crown Prince;

then made suitably comfort-

able noises about Britain's relationship with Bahrain. poorest of the Gulf states but a

major Middle East banking and financial centre.

As they sat together in a sumptuous circular powderblue room in the headquarters of the Council of Ministers in

Manama, the Bahraini capi-

tal, the Emir said: We are very proud of our friendship

with the British." The Prince

enjoy my The Prince has formed a close and long-lasting friendship with Crown Shaikh Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, eldest son of the Emir, who had earlier greeted his guest at the foot of Britan-

nia's gangplank. The Prince spent the weekend on a trade mission in Kuwait, and today is in the tiny state of Qatar. From the oil wealth of the Gulf he will on Wednesday to the sharply contrasting poverty of Bangladesh. He will see aid work being carried out by Actionaid, a British organisation, and will visit the district of Sylhet, from where a large proportion of Britain's Ban-gladeshi community hails.

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### Quick steps to a healthy old age

today to follow the Queen Mother's example and get out of their armchairs and on to the dance floor. Forty per cent of men and women over 50 spend most of the day sitting around, usually watching television, according to the

Health Education Authority. Earlier advice to exercise rigorously three times a week has been dropped. Instead, the campaign to be launched to-day will seek to persuade the elderly and middle-aged to spend 30 minutes a day walking the dog, gardening, cy-

cling or dancing. Experts believe that a gentler regime based on everyday activities will have wider appeal. Those who manage to switch off the television may, however, have difficulty leaving their armchair: a quarter of women aged 70 to 74 did not have sufficient strength in their legs to get out of a chair without using their arms. The research was based on a survey of 4,300 people in

England aged 50 to 74. Nick Cavill, the authority's physical activity manager, ing and have led us to target our Active for Life campai at middle-aged and older

"We are encouraging them to take part daily in anything that makes them feel warm, and breathe more heavily

than usual." The young are also leading. increasingly sedentary lives. Nearly 20 per cent of 16 to 34 year olds spend less than 90 minutes a week in "moderately intense" physical activity; according to the authority.

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# 'Stephen's death must be catalyst to restart the peace process'

STEPHEN RESTORICK, the soldier killed in Northern Ireland by an IRA sniper, was cremated yesterday on his twenty-fourth birthday in a funeral shorn of almost all

military trappings.

The non-religious ceremony, which included pop music. anecdotes and jokes, was attended by 250 people who were told that Stephen Restorick's death should be a catalyst for peace.

Representatives of the Brit-

ish and Irish governments and the community of Bessbrook, Co Armagh, where the lance bombardier was shot by a sniper 13 days ago, were among mourners in his home town of Peterborough, Cambridgeshire.

Lorraine McElroy, who was injured in the attack, was unable to keep her promise to join his parents, John and Rita, at the funeral because she is still traumatised.

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She was in her car speaking with Lance Bombardier Restorick when he was shot dead while manning a mili-tary checkpoint. Mrs McElroy later recalled his smiling face.



Stephen Restorick: was earmarked for promotion

At his parent's request, there was no playing of the Last Port

and no shots were fired. Their son's Army cap lay on his coffin, which was draped in the Union flag, but the only other military note was the six pallbearers in uniform from his regiment, the 3rd Royal Horse Artillery. Other repre-sentatives from his regiment, including some who were with him when he was shot, wore

John Pearce, the humanist who conducted the service, said that the ceremony, which was written by Lance Bombar-dier Rosterick's family, was upbeat and that people should not be afraid to smile

Stephen and his parents shared no religious beliefs, Mr Pearce said, but "the rejection of vengeance, the absolute refusal to be provoked into further violence, was a princi-ple by no means confined to

"Stephen's death had touched the hearts of many people in all parts of the British Isles. We have to hope ... that Stephen's death will be a catalyst to restart the peace process and bring both sides together to talk."

Lance Bombardier Restorick should have been celebrating his birthday with a party for friends, Mr Pearce said.

They would, in their hearts. question what he had done to deserve such a fate but they should celebrate his life. "It is a poor funeral where you cannot smile, especially at one for a man who had such a good sense of humour."

During the 45-minute service, which included a minute's silence for prayer or meditation for those who were religious, a song called Search for the Hero by the band M People was played, as well as Belfast Child and Don't You Forget About Me, both by the band Simple Minds. Mr Pearce said that Stephen was engaging, good-humoured and a joy to those who knew

Major Mark Milligan, the soldier's battery commander. said that he had been earmarked for promotion and was noted for raising morale in difficult circumstances. When shot, he had been smiling and passing the time member of the local com-

being fatally wounded, his concern was that his colleagues should be looking after Mrs McElroy as well," Major Milligan said. He was an excellent soldier. killed while conscientiously carrying out his duties."

ick's mother, a secretary, who death. Mr and Mrs Restorick wore a lilac jacket, left the said before the funeral that people." crematorium carrying her

son's cap and the furled flag that had been on his coffin. She and his father, a university technician, have written to the Prime Minister and other politicians to say that peace in Northern Ireland is slipping away and appealing for some The process will go on because

Rita Restorick leaving her son's funeral service with his cap, belt and the Union flag that covered his coffin

Brian Mawhinney, the Conservative Party Chairman and MP for Peterborough, who attended the ceremony, said: Peace is an issue to which all of us have dedicated ourselves.

we believe it has the over-

whelming support of the

Another mourner, Edward Barrington, the Irish Ambassador to London, said: "The message from today must be to continue to pursue a negotiated peace process."

They were joined by Isaac Hanna and Danny Kennedy, Ulster Unionist councillors from Co Armagh. "People

service. "This has had a totally devastating effect on every-

body." A memorial fund has been set up for Lance Bombardier Restorick with the money to be divided between the Army Benevolent Fund and charities in Bessbrook.

were beginning to live again

with a bit of freedom," Mr Hanna said after the

### Yachtsman 2 froze to death in stormy sea

lifeline for six hours to the chartered yacht that capsized off the Isie of Wight last week

died from hypothermia, an inquest was told at Newport. The body of PC Joseph Charnley, 35, of Walworth police station, southeast London, was recovered from the grounded Fairview Two. Post-mortem examinations showed that Detective Constable Tony Upton, 36, and A fourth man survived. The inquest was adjourned.

### Skipper fined

The skipper of a Belgian trawier was fined £700 by Dover magistrates and ordered to pay £600 costs after be admitted keeping under-sized sea bass in the holds of his vessel. Steven Savels, 33, was arrested in the Thames Estuary at the weekend,

### Pupil has TB

A pupil at St Paul's Girls' School, west London, has contracted toberculosis. About 15 other girls are to be tested but the risk of infection was said to be small. The sick pupil, aged 15, lives in London and is understood to have relatives in the Middle East.

### Prison drugs

A prison officer who is al leged to have sold cannabis and advised on how to smuggie drugs into Shotts prison, Strathelyde, has been sus-pended. The matter has been reported to police and Bill McKinlay, Shotts's governor, has started an investigation.

### Cartoon caper

The BBC has stepped up its battle against BSkyB by increasing its broadcasts of the curtoon series The Simpsons from once to twice a week. The second series will be shown on BBC2 on Mondays and Fridays at 6pm from March 10.

### Victim reburied

The body of Moors murder victim Lesley Ann Downey has been exhumed and reburied. Ann West, 67, asked for permission to move her daughter after vandals daubed graffiti on the headstone, calling for Myra Hindley to

### To err is fruitful

An error has made a £6.95 Wedgwood mug a collector's item. About 1,500 mugs were made with the wrong birth and death dates for the composer Elgar. We wanted to recall all the mugs but scores of them are being snapped up," Wedgwood said.

### Terrorist informer mourns from afar

By NICHOLAS WATT, CHIEF IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

former IRA terrorist who was shunned by his republican family after he became a police informer, mourned his father's death from across the Atlantic vesterday.

O'Callaghan, who is on a lecture tour in America. missed his father's paramilitary funeral in Trales, Co Kerry, because his life would have been in danger if he had instead, he sent a wreath to his father. Jack, which read "Your loving son, Sean".

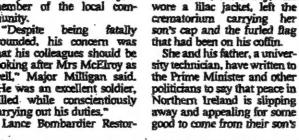
O'Callaghan snr, who died last week aged 78, refused to talk to his son after he turned against the terrorists. The veteran republican said he had "broken his heart".

At the funeral a convicted IRA terrorist who was jailed for attempted gun-running on

SEAN O'CALLAGHAN, the the basis of information supplied by Sean O'Callaghan gave the oration. Martin Ferris did not mention O'Callaghan by name but the 120 mourners were left in no doubt who he had in mind when he said: "Jack O'Callaghan suffered anguish and pain for the past lew months. He did not deserve to have to endure this pain. He was not accountable or responsible for the actions for others."

O'Callaghan was released from prison in Northern Ireland last year after serving a life sentence for his involvement in two murders.

At the forthcoming eral election the SDLP will contest every constituency in Northern Ireland for the first time in its 27-year history. John Hume, the party leader,





Douglas Blythe, facilities manager of the Royal Opera, surveys a roof gutter

### Leak at Royal Opera may conceal damage to dome

A WEEK after rain from the leaking roof fell on audience and stage at the Royal Opera House, the management yes-terday admitted that the damage might be more serious than it had feared.

Although the source of the leak in a crumbling gutter has been put right, there is concern that the interior of the dome might have been affected. A second drenching of Covent Garden opera-lovers

is the last thing the beleaguered opera house needs. At a meeting yesterday, the management decided that to assess the damage a surveyor would have to be hoisted 50ft above the stalls.

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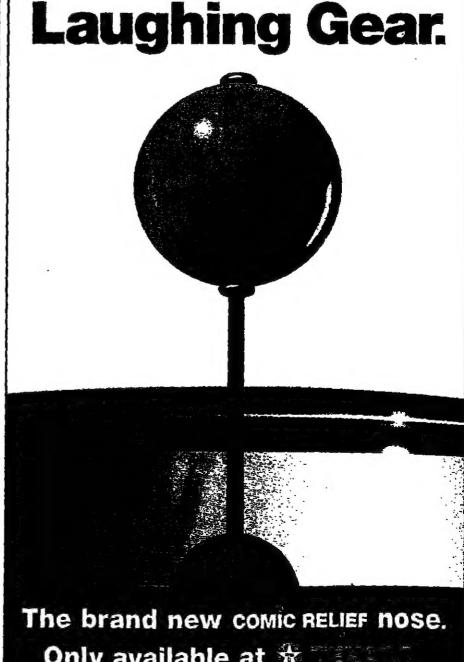
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from here". Rain also fell on about 20 members of the audience, pouring through tes to the uncarpeted

to disturb the live perfor-mance on Radio 3, decided against moving people until the interval. Staff handed out wine vouchers to opera-goers who had bought £83 tickets One comment overheard in most expensive bath I've ever had." But there was confusion over the vouchers, with some people being refused drinks. One trate man told staff: "So, I can have a free hair wash but not a free drink."

The manas

For the Royal Opera, the leak reinforces the need to repair the crumbling building. It has dozens of performances to go before the final gala on July 14 and is loath to spend money that would otherwise go towards the £214 million redevelopment. The Royal Opera remains £63 million short of its target despite the controversial award of a E78 million lottery grant.



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# Unfinished business that should be a priority this Parliament

"POWER without responsibility. the prerogative of the harlot throughout the ages". Baldwin's famous gibe about Beaverbrook and the press barons (coined by Rudyard Kipling, his cousin) has been turned on its head by Derek Lewis, the former Director-General of the Prison Service. In Hidden gues that ministers now have the Director-General responsibility without authority".

Mr Lewis, appointed by

Agendas. Mr Lewis's just published account of the events leading up to his sacking by Michael Howard in October 1985, he arpower without responsibility, and prisons have become public figures, subject to the ultimate test of

Kenneth Clarke, did not get on with Mr Howard, as his book describes. This was partly a clash of temperaments, but it also highlighted the anomalous constitutional position of executive agen-cies like the Prison Service, which manage the bulk of the administrative work of central government. Their heads have operational independence within framements. Those in charge of sensitive agencies like child support and

accountability of appearing on the

Today programme. But they re-

### **ON POLITICS**

speak publicly on policy, as opposed to operations.

The Government has tried to have the best of both worlds, improving management but seeking to retain the traditional doctrine that heads of agencies, as ly, to Parliament. The Lewis affair strained this convention to breaking point, as well as demonstratthe, possibly inevitable,

tendency for ministers to intervene ernment has produced its own, on high profile political issues. broadly similar draft, and, followon high profile political issues. Lord Nolan, hardly a wild constiutional radical, argued in one of his Radcliffe lectures last year that, "ministerial accountability is now in danger of being used to slow down the growth in accountability of public servants".

This is a far from an academic point. In the wake of the Lewis affair and the Scott report, the Public Service Committee of the parliamentary resolution setting out what is expected of ministers in accountablity to the Commons. After cross-party talks, the Gov-

ing a debate two weeks ago, has said it intends to bring it forward for approval before the dissolution. This draft sticks to the traditional view on the line of accountability.

However, Robert Maclennan of the Liberal Democrats has argued that "chief executives of agencies must be given greater responsibility for their own actions and should have to give a direct account to select committees". Sir Peter Lloyd, a former prisons minister and member of the Public

ships with ministers. His alternastatutorily independent from departments, so that a minister would have to seek the approval of Parliament if he or she wanted to change policy, while the chief executive, and not the minister. would be fully accountable for all decisions. In his book, Mr Lewis favours a similar solution, making the Prisons Service a non-departmental public body with a formally appointed board, a statutory separation similar to the policeand probation services. As he writes, this "may not appeal to any

would undermine open relation-ships with ministers. His alterna-ment. Ministers find it hard to tive is no make some bodies avoid intervening over a prison riot or big escape.

The proposed resolution can hardly prevent ministers from being evasive, or interfering, but it establishes a yardstick for accountability and is a start. As Roger Freeman, the Public service Minister, has said, this is "unfinished business", and should be a priority in the dying days of this Parliament It would help to strengthen the link between power, responsibility and authority.

Heath faces a

rebuke over

support for

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SIR ROWARD HEATH WILL

ser consists an unprecedented re-buke from his constituency party over the television inter-view in which he appeared to enduse tabour policy.

Constituency officials in Old

Bedey and Sideup have been

taken aback by the reaction from local Tories to the former

Prime Minister's declaration of support for Labour's plans

for Scottish devolution and a

minimum wage. Party mem-

bers who had put up with his

relentless campaign against Margaret Thatcher were ap-

palled by his support for the

minimum wage. Only a few days earlier, he had excused

the Chinese government for

the Tianamen Square massa-

Sir Edward, 80, who has been chosen to stand again at

the general election, faces

ation officers in a 47-year

ation organising secretary,

said: "I regret the timing of his

remarks so close to an elec-

known Sir Edward for 25

years, said: "I cannot recall

such a strong reaction, or

receiving so many telephone

calls in one morning in re-

sponse to his comments. It is

not so much the content of the

remarks but their timing

which has done the damage

Sir Edward is due to hold an

advice bureau in his constitu-

ency on Friday. Mr Fowler

said: The officers of the

association will take the op-

portunity to make their views

crystal clear. We will also ask

him to refrain from making any more unhelpful remarks

in the run-up-to the general

But Mr Fowler, who insist-

ed that deselection was not an

option, added: "I don't know if

he will take any notice. How-can you gag Ted Heath? He

maintains that devolution and

the minimum wage were Tory party policy for years. The party may have changed why should he?

Bdward's statement, during a RBC interview that

during a BBC interview that that the minimum wage was

necessary "to avoid sweated

labour - and quite rightly so?

and caused the anger."

parliamentary career. Barry Fowler, the associPETER RIDDELL

# Tory inner circle chooses 'radical' election manifesto

AND ARTHUR LEATHLEY

A SCHEME to help the elderly with the cost of their nursing home fees is one of several proposals to be in the Tory manifesto for the general

Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary, will announce details next week of an insurance plan to cover nursing home costs, which can be as much as £20,000 a year.

The five-year Tory pro-gramme, agreed by the Prime Minister and his inner Cabinet circle last night, has been described as exciting and radical. It includes the privatisation of London Underground, extending workfare nationwide, introducing national identity cards and expanding the number of grammar schools so that there is at least

one in every town. At present thousands of elderly people are being forced to sell their homes to afford nursing home fees. If they have £10,000 worth of assets they have to pay part of the fees and if they have £16,000 they have to pay in full.

Under the new plans people would have to buy indemnity insurance to cover the fees. But in return, a Tory government would allow them to keep more of their assets so that they could pass them on

to their children. Next week Mr Dorrell is expected to announce that elderly people will be given insurance cover worth £1.50 against their capital assets for every £1 invested. Under the new figures, less than the £2 demanded by the insurance industry, a pensioner would have to pay about £50 a month to protect a £60,000 house and

savings of £10,000. The nursing home scheme is one of the more populist measures in a manifesto document that has been described

### THE MAIN POINTS

Proposals expected to be Privatising the London Underground M Help with nursing home

Introducing ID cards Extending workfare Cutting basic rate of tax

Abolishing capital gains and inheritance tax Cutting public spending to 40 per cent of GDP Measures to boost pri-vate pensions and share ownership

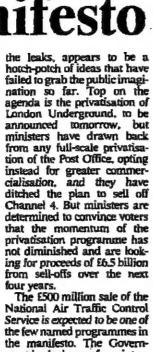
Setting up a grammar school in every town Introducing motorway

Plans that have been dropped ■ Reforms to quarentine

as "short, lean and muscular" by one senior strategist and 'radical and exciting" by Michael Heseltine, the Deputy Prime Minister.

The strategists argue that a careful path is being drawn between radical proposals and "stability". They say that the manifesto emphasises the need to continue the reforms initiated by the Tories, without the upheavals that could result under an incoming Labour government. One strategist said: "We are not standing still. It is like a man riding on a bicycle. If you stop peddling you fall off. We want to present a continued radical Conservative programme against a background of eco-

nomic stability." But the result, according to



ment backed away from introducing legislation on traffic control two years ago but would make the sale a priority if re-elected. A number of nextstep agencies would also be sold off.

One of the biggest potential revenue earners is expected to be the plan to accelerate the sale of up to three million council house tenancies to the private sector. More than E350 million is expected to be raised through the first sales, but David Curry, the Housing Minister, last month suggested that there would be more to follow by saying: "We anticipate an expanding programme of transfers over the

coming years." A centrepiece of the manifesto will be the nationwide extension of the workfare scheme, under which longterm unemployed are forced to train, gain work experience and seek work. The plan is to offer training and work experience for 500,000 people out of work for more than two ears, after a pilot project for 100,000 people announced



Kenneth Clarke leaving 11 Downing Street for a meeting on the manifesto yesterday

yesterday. Although Gillian Shephard, the Education and Employment Secretary, has pressed for a commitment to extend the present pilot scheme nationally within the next Parliament, the manifesto commitment is expected to be less specific. In a softening of original plans, ministers will undertake to widen the scheme only if it is proved to be self-financing, and will not

set a target date for completion of the project.
Ministers have also backed down on a proposal to abolish

quarantine laws. Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, blocked the plans arguing that voters would warry that relaxing the rules would increase the threat of rabies.

Other populist measures expected to be included are boosting share ownership, in-

Mr Bruce also announced

plans for a tax-fraud hotline to

help the Inland Revenue to

identify cheating firms and individuals. The information

supplied by the hotline would

be bolstered by a "tax cheats taskforce", staffed by highly

paid investigators, to clamp

Mr Bruce said: "This is no tax bombshell, but it is an

educational bonanza for Brit-

ain's schools and a fairer tax system for Britain." The El0 billion investment would

pay for more nursery places, smaller class sizes and more

books and equipment.

He attacked Labour's plans

for a windfall tax on the profits

of the privatised utilities, say-

ing: "A windfall tax would be

one-off and would not fund an

on-going commitment. But,

just as essentially, we do not

believe that such retrospective

and opportunistic taxation can

be justified. In reality it will hit

shareholders including those

millions of people with money in pension funds."

down on evasion.

creasing the reliance on private pensions and cutting the basic rate of tax to 20p. The manifesto is also expected to pledge the eventual abolition of capital gains and inheri-

The document is also likely to include a big section on expanding choice in education and increasing selection. The aim will be to have a grammar school in every town.

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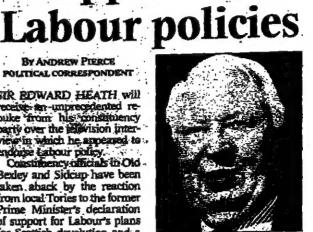
LABOUR accused the Goverament yesterday of trying to hide the state of the health service in the run-up up to the

those awaiting treatment.

In a Labour-initiated debate, Mr Smith said: "Pretending there is no problem is one thing, but massaging the presentation of the facts for

Stephen Dorrell, the Health

the hospital service was under stress but said that Labour should recognise its successes such as the 20 per cen increase in the number of emergency cases treated over Leading article, page 17 the past four years.



Heath; accused

dismayed Conservative Central Office. On Labour's plans for a Scottish assembly, he said: "It has no danger to the unity of the United Kingdom.

Tony Blair, the Labour leader, campaigning in the Wirral South by-election, seized on the remarks as evidence of what is thought to be the first further disarray in the Tory dressing down by his associ-ranks. He said that Sir further disarray in the Tory Edward represented the true tradition of One Nation Torvism.

Michael Slaughter, the leader of the Tory group on Bedey council, said: "Sir Edward should learn to keep quiet. The Prime Minister deserves some loyalty. A number of people are asking whether it is right than he is standing again. hands at the re-adoption meeting when he was not op-

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Alfred Charlton, a former mayor of Bexley, who is depuleader of the Tory group. said: "He is a long-serving MP who should know better. May be he is too long-serving."

Sir George Gardiner, the Tory MP who was ousted by his Reigate constituency party after suggesting that Mr Ma-jor had become the ventriloquist's dummy of Kenneth Clarke, told Radio 4's World at One that Sir Edward should "shut up".

"It is ironic, isn't it? I was deselected for taking a strong line in urging the Prime Minister to come off the fence over scrapping the pound and joining the European single currency. Yet Ted Heath, with all his authority as a former prime minister, totally undermines the Prime Minister's policies, by supporting Tony Blair on all these issues, and gets away with it."

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### Lib Dems confirm plan for 50p top tax rate funding is so acute that the party must make a stronger

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Liberal Democrats set out a distinctive general election strategy yesterday with proposed tax increases to pay for improved education standards.

The party underlined its commitment to a \$10 billion education programme to be funded by raising the standard rate by to in the pound and introducing a 50p rate for high earners. The higher rates are also intended to meet the costs of taking 500,000 lowpaid workers out of tax

Malculm Bruce, the Liberal Democrat Treasury spokes-man, said that the new 50p tax rate for 140,000 people earning more than £100,000 would pay the cost of increasing personal tax allowances by £200. As well as taking half a million people out of tax, the increase in would also reduce the impact of the 1p increase for 18.5 million standard rate

Mr Bruce said that the average taxpayer would be only 45p a week worse off but that education would benefit by 52 billion a year, or \$10 billion over the lifetime of a five-year Parliament.

The Liberal Democrats are

seeking to contrast their poli-

cies with Tory and Labour

refusals to promise additional

funding for education. They

Bruce: offering a fairer tax system particularly want to emphasise the growing gap be-tween them and Labour since Gordon Brown, the Shadow Chancellor, announced that his party would not raise income tax during a first term

Mr Bruce said: "Labour offers only more of the same, washed down with warm words and wishful thinking ... they are so gutless and ciueless that they have now even accepted Kenneth Clarke's Budget framework.

The Liberal Democrats have hardened their manifesto pledge of the 1992 general election, when they promised to raise income tax only if necessary. Mr Bruce now says that the need for greater

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# Failings of says Smith

general election. Chris Smith, the Shadow

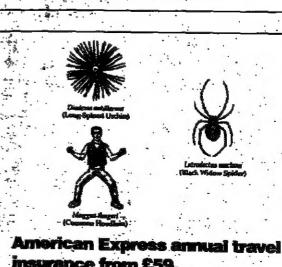
Health Secretary, claimed that waiting lists were being manipulated to try to disguis the scale of the problems. He quoted a memorandum to staff at Broadgreen Hospital, Liverpool, which showed that regional managers had sug-gested a "judicial elimina-tion" of the names of some of

the public is quite another."

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# Mass-market authors dispute Church dogmas

BY RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

NEW books for the mass market by revisionist theologians are challenging traditional Christian beliefs. Two rival views being published in the run-up to Easter claim to prove that the apostle Paul invented Christianity and that Jesus's brother James has been written out of the Gospels in spite of being the Church's most important ear-

Next month a controversial book will challenge the orthodox Roman Catholic view that Jesus was the only son of Mary by presenting the disciple James as his full brother and the true successor to

In James the Brother of Jesus, a 1,000-page examination of the disciple's role in the foundation of Christianity, the Dead Sea scrolls scholar Robert Eisenman also argues that Jesus had other siblings but that James was the most important "Christian" of all. He argues that James was at the overarching leader of the early Church to whom the aposties Peter and Paul both owed

their allegiance. Eisenman draws on the scrolls and early church texts to challenge orthodoxy and to promote James, not Peter, as the true successor to Jesus.

While leading New Testa-

While leading New Testament scholars have long held similar views, many Christians in the pews remain unaware that Jesus had brothers or that James even existed. Orthodox tradition explains away biblical references to Jesus's brothers by claiming they are cousins.

they are cousins.

Eisenman says that James has effectively been "written out" of the gospels by the authors but that he has been extensively documented in a host of other early texts. He argues that the Christianity of James was apocalyptic, nationalistic and zenophobic, compared to Paul's more cosmopolitan approach, which was eventually adopted by Christendom.

Jamesian Christianity, he says, included vegeterianism, daily bathing and abstention throm blood, including Christ's U"blood" in the Eucharist. The



Wilson: claims St Paul invented Christianity

New Testament is one of the most successful rewrites of history, Eisenman argues.

history, Eisenman argues.
A spokesman for the Catholic Church said: "The Church believes that Mary had only one son and that was Jesus. We believe he had cousins but no siblings."

no siblings."
However, Dr Tom Deidun,
a Catholic scholar who teaches
the New Testament at London
University's Heythrop College, said that Eisenman's

thesis was supported by most New Testament scholars. "It was the view of St Jerome in the 4th century that Jesus's brothers were his cousins, but Jerome was opposed by Helvidius, who took a similar view to that expressed in this book."

In a book published yester-day, Paul, the Mind of the Apostle, the novelist A. N. Wilson argues that Iesus was a visionary Jewish leader who had no intention of founding a separate religion. He argues that Christianity owes its existence to Paul, whose vision on the road to Damascus led him to claim a new covenant and to put forward a view of Christ as Saviour and the Cross as the gateway to salvation.

This has already aroused

considerable controversy. Dr Tom Wright, the Dean of Lichfield, was so concerned when he saw a copy of Wilson's manuscript that he has rushed into print with What Saint Paul Really Said, a strong counterattack on Wilson which defends the orthodox view of Paul as the faithful interpreter of Christ.



The Rev Toddy Hoare with his nude sculpture of Mary Magdalene, based on a Modigliani drawing

### Mary Magdalene was first apostle, says sculptor-vicar

By PAUL WILKINSON

A COUNTRY vicar has created a nude sculpture to further his claim that the first apostle was a woman. The Rev Toddy Hoare believes that Mary Magdalene should be canonised and says the Bible backs up his argument that the woman whom most Christians believe was a prostitute received a had press in the

Mr Hoare, 49, who runs eight parishes around Thirsk in North Yorkshire, said: "Mary was actually the first person to see the Lord after His resurrection, to speak to Him and to be sent by Him to preach his word. That is the definition of an apostle."

definition of an apostle."
His sculpture, St Mary Magdalene: The First Apostle, will be shown at a monthlong exhibition of his work at St Mary's, Nottingham, from March 29.

Conventional theology considers Mary Magdalene a whore who was forgiven and saved by Jesus. Mr Hoare suggests the "woman who was a sinner", as she is described in the Bible, who

washed Jesus's feet for for giveness. was a differen woman. He said man women "adored" Jesus by washing his feet and it was simply a sign of humility. He added: "There is no Gospe evidence that she was: nostitute."

The Venerable George Austin, Archdeacon of York, said This is a fashionable American feminist concept, the ide, being that she is not a prostitute, but a woman being commanded by a patriarcha society. But she was not the first apostle, she was the first winess, and Jesus appeare to her because she was a sinner who was saved. Todd-Hoare is a good sculptor but the said and several series.

he is wrong on theology."

The sculpture, based on a 1906 drawing by Modigliani has been carved on a concrete panel in a studio adjoining the vicarage at Knayton. His model was a parishioner.

Mr Hoare has courted con troversy before, carving pan els of eight disciples, also naked. "We are all naked before God," he said.

### 'At-risk' baby was thrown 150ft to death by mother

By DOMINIC KENNEDY, SOCIAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

A BABY on an "at-risk" register was thrown to his death by his mentally ill mother after social services decided she was fit to care for him, a court was told yeaterday. Daniel Whayman, aged 16 weeks, died after his mother, Lisa, 33, threw him from the 150ft Orwell Bridge near Ipswich.

Whayman, who had had psychiatric problems since the age of 14, was ordered to be detained indefinitely in a mental hospital by a judge at Norwich Crown Court. Her plea of not guilty to murder, but guilty to manslaughter, was accepted.

The court was told that Whayman had schizophrenia but the condition had been diagnosed only after the baby's death. Previously psychiatrists had concluded that she had a personality disorder.

disorder.

Daniel was put on an at-risk register at birth last May and soon afterwards went to live with his maternal grandparents. Ken and Marie Eley. Suffolk social services decided he should be returned to Whayman and her husband on August 30.

The prosecution said that Whayman, from Worlingworth, Suffolk, felt pressured by the thought of having to care for Daniel again. The day before he was due to return, she visited her mother's home and was left alone with Daniel.

She took a taxi to the bridge, where the driver was reluctant to leave her because she

appeared distressed.

Debbie Stanford, a teacher from Felinstowe, saw Whayman throw the baby from the bridge. "I thought it was a doll. She lugged him over like a carrier bag of rubbish." Daniel landed on the grassy riverbank alive but was pronounced dead in hospital an hour later.

Suffolk social services said Daniel had been placed on the at-risk register after Whayman's GP expressed concern that she would have difficulty coping with the baby. He went to live with his grandparents to allow Whayman and her husband with difficulties in their relationship.

in their relationship.

Social services decided to let
Daniel return to his parents.

"At no point did Lisa ever
abuse or neglect that child," a
spokeswoman said. "He was

well looked after."
Mr Justice Wright said:
This was a terrible and tragic
event. No one can be in any
doubt that a mother who
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DENG XIAOPING'S death was certified as being a result of a chest infection complicating long-standing Parkinson's disease. At 92, Deng had survived to an age when degenerative conditions of the mind and body are the rule rather than the exception, but his case illustrates the difficulties doctors have in plotting the epidemiology of disease.

Parkinson's disease seems to be becoming more common. Whether this increase in incidence is real is still uncertain. Treatment has so improved that anyone with early signs is now likely to have therapy that will enable them to live longer than would have been the case 30 years ago.

There are also those who doubt if Parkinson's is more common and suggest that it is merely diagnosed more often as doctors become aware of its



symptoms. Dr Christopher Hawkes, of the Department of Neurology at Leeds General Infirmary, has written a review in the British Journal of Hospital Medicine of the factors that may determine if there is an hereditary aspect to Parkinson's disease.

There are, undoubtedly, families in which Parkinson's has attacked generation after generation but such families are rare and even twin studies have not given conclusive evidence of the genetic factor. In the 1980s, the theory that an environmental agent was a likely cause was widely held. Since then, the opinion that the disease may be inherited has gained support.

inherited cause for Parkinson's is now being subtly modified and it is suggested that people inherit a tendency to develop the condition, and not the disease. It is proposed that there may well be environmental agents responsible in inducing Parkinson's in those with an inherited valuerability.

The proposition, which receives some support from Dr Hawkes's review, is that the likely agents will be found to be toxic chemicals, and may be pesticides that are an essential part of agriculture.

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# Former Zimbabwe President accused of policeman's rape

HE Rev Canaan Banana, mbabwe's first President, as a predatory homosexual ho forced a young aide-deimp to submit to repeated ipe and sexual abuse, accordg to evidence disclosed, here a trial.

arare High Court that the iurchman, statesman, theogian and author had used ugs, threats and imprisonent to terrorise him into an tended ordeal of deep kissig, watching gay porno-aphic films and oral and nal sex at State House, the ficial presidential residence om 1983 to 1986.

The policeman, a former ardener with three O-levels. as been tried for shooting another officer who unted him for being "Ba-ana's homosexual wife" in 95. He claimed he was erpetually drunk and emoonally distraught as a result his experience, and did not hen he shot Patrick Mashir i the head.

The evidence became public sterday when Judge David artlett lifted reporting rerictions imposed when the ial began last August. He aid he found the policeman's idence credible, as was the stimony of the witnesses ho supported his claims. The egations of the former Presi-

dent's homosexual abuse "must be accepted as if they

were true". he said. The court was told that Mr Banana had spotted Dube playing for the police football team, the Black Mambas, in late 1983, and invited him to apply for the job of aide-decamp. Police headquarters had nothing to do with his

Dube was found guilty of murder with actual intent, but with diminished responsibility, and was sentenced to ten years in jail. The judge urged authorities to investigate the accusations against the former head of state.

tions for the Government of President Mugabe, who for the past two years has maintained vehement anti-gay rhetoric, reviling homosexuality as



a perversion imported from the West.

Evidence in the trial made it clear, however, that the senior echelons of the ruling Zanu (PF) party and of the security services were aware of Mr Banana's abuse of state power. Dube's evidence gave details of how a police commissioner and a deputy commissioner colluded in intimidating him into succumb-ing to the former head of state.

Dube wept as he told the court that the former President's overt advances began within a week of him starting his job, and that he resisted them for six months, until in June 1984, when he collapsed in the presidential office after being given an apparently "doctored" soft drink by Mr

Banana. He said he awoke before dawn on the carpet, without his trousers or underpants. Mr Banana was standing over him, smiling, and said: "We have helped ourselves."

Mr Banana is a pillar of respectability at home and abroad. In 1989 he served on a United Nations commission of "eminent churchmen" investigating international business in South Africa, and two years ago was the Organisation of African Unity's "eminent person" attempting to intervene in the wars in Liberia and



Taleban advancing yesterday on the Shibar Pass where it claims new successes

### Moscow sending arms to Afghans

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN MAZAR-I-SHARIF

ond military intervention in 18 years, to bolster defences against the extremist Taleban Islamic militia as it battles to reach Central Asia, A spring offensive by the fighters, who control two-thirds of the country, looks inevitable,

International competition for influence in the region is unprecedented. Iran has joined Russia in aiding the northern forces, while Saudi Arabia is directly or indirectly funding Taleban with the tacit support of the US.

This competition is princi-pally economic. Central Asia contains some of the world's last big unexploited reserves. Delta Oil of Saudi Arabia and Unocal of California have signed a deal in principle to build a gas and oil pipeline from Turkmenistan to the Indian Ocean via Afghanistan and Pakistan.

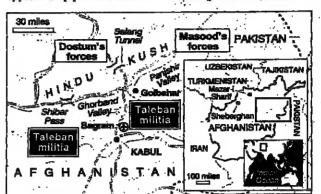
That would undermine Iran's oil industry and reduce its regional influence. Russia opposes the pipeline because it

RUSSIA is supplying arms to would increase Western influ-northern Afghanistan, its sec-ence. Moscow is also concerned about the spread of Islamic fundamentalism.

General Abdul Rashid Dostum, the northern leader. told The Times at his military headquarters in Mazar-i-Sharif he believed Russia would send more troops to the border if Taleban encroached. But he was adament that Russian forces would not cross into Afghanistan. Never, never, we would not allow it." He denied that his 40,000-man army received Russian arms. although clearly it does.

Iran backs Taleban's rivals in order to protect the Shia minority - perhaps 10 per cent of the population - and because it fears US and Pakistani influence could turn armed Iranian opposition. ☐ Fighters' claim: Taleban captured the strategic Shibar

Pass in Bamiyan province, of Shariat radio said. The pass is regarded as a gateway to north Afghanistan. (Reuter)



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### Call for looser **Rock ties**

Gibraltar: Sir Richard Luce. the former Foreign Office minister and Gibraltar's first civilian Governor since the British capture of the Rock in 1704, received a warm personal welcome yesterday but was greeted by demands from the local parliament to support a process of decolonisation for he dependency (Dominique

Searle writes). Peter Caruana, the Chief Minister, said links with Britain should be modernised on the lines of the Channel Islands. He also called for better relations with Spain.

### Kenya riots after student's death

Nairobi: Kenyan students rampaged through the capital in protest at the death of a union activist, leaving burntout cars and streets blocked with rocks (Sam Kiley writes). Hundreds of students converged on State House, home of President Moi, the Nairobi parliament buildings and police headquarters after alleged police involvement in the death of Solomon Muruli, who was killed by an explosion and fire in his room on the university campus.

### **Boris Becker** 'in tax inquiry'

Bonn: German tax investigators have turned their attention to Boris Becker, the tennis star. Der Spiegel magazine said (Roger Boyes writes). Unlike the case involving Peter Graf, father of Steffi, Herr Becker is officially resident in Monte Carlo, not in Germany, and is therefore subject only to taxation on prize money and advertising revenue directly earned in Germany.

### Vandals attack Lincoln tomb

New York: Vandals painted swastikas and smeared human waste over the tomb of Abraham Lincoln in Springfield. Illinois (Quentin Letts writes). It was the third such attack in ten years and was described by police as "mindess vandalism". Black bin liners were draped around the white tomb to conceal the graffiti.

### Stalker called Rabanne 'Satan'

Paris: A woman who stalked Paco Rabanne, the Spanish fashion designer, for more than three years, accusing him of being "Satan", was given a year's suspended jail sentence and put on probation. Josiane Pasquier, 50, claimed that he taunted her by telepathy when she are chocolate.

### Weizman's British visit renews links

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

swashbuckling former RAF fighter pilot who today becomes the first Israeli President to make a state visit to London, has many links with Britain beyond his distinguished wartime service.

His wife Reuma, who will accompany him, was born in London and his uncle, Chaim Weizmann, the first of Israel's seven Presidents, spent time in Manchester.

The Weizmann family emigrated from Russia, but the current President, now aged 72. was born in Tel Aviv. Explaining the difference in spellings of the family surname, he loked: "My father decided one 'n' was good

enough for us." Along with his late brotherin-law, Moshe Dayan, Mr Weizman is regarded as a charismatic fighter-politician. A hawk turned dove, he became the first Israeli Cabinet member to make open

lawed Palestine Liberation Organisation. In the Six Day War, he laid the plans that led to the destruction of the Egyptian Air Force on the

Friends say that his conversion to the peace camp came in 1970 when his son Shaul, a paratrooper, was severely inured in the Sinai campaign. He later died in a traffic

Recently, he personally visited the families of each of the 73 soldiers killed when two helicopters crashed.

Mr Weizman has never been able, or much bothered, to curb his tongue. When he was castigated for contacting the PLO he replied: "We have one of the best air forces in the world and a good little army. When people say that the PLO wants to destroy us, I piddle myself with laughter."

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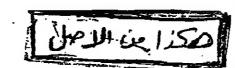
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# China watches family grieve for last titan

### 100,000 public mourners drafted in by regime for Deng's Beijing farewell

FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN BELIING

EXTRAORDINARY scenes of Deng Xiaoping's family weeping over his body were broadcast on Chinese television last night. It was the first time that more than a billion Chinese had seen their leader for three years and exemplified how the authorities have controlled the rites accompanying the passing of the patriarch.

Deng's widow, Zhuo Lin, in a wheelchair, wept bitterly, as did others of his five blackclad sons and daughters, and grandchildren. Deng Nan, his eldest daughter, leaned for-ward and kissed Deng's brow. And Deng Rong, the youngest daughter and his biographer, told an upset child: "Grandfa-

ther is not dead." In a poignant episode illustrative of China's recent history, Deng's wheelchair-bound son, Deng Pufang, who was crippled in the Cultural Revolution when Chairman Mao's Red Guards threw him from a window, cried openly as he looked at his dead father. Deng himself was purged by Mao and sent to work in a tractor repair shop.

Notable for his absence was Deng's one-time heir-apparent, Zhao Ziyang, the reformist former party chief who was deposed during the Tiananmen Square demonstrations. for advocating a soft line with protesters. He had requested permission to attend the cremation, but President Jiang

More than 100,000 people

Deng's body was conveyed along Beijing's Avenue of Eternal Peace in a white minibus for cremation at Babaoshan cemetery But there was nothing spontaneous about the public part of yesterday's obsequies.

Most of the public mourners had been bussed in from factories and colleges. Many ordinary people, who may have wished to pay their final respects to the last of China's political titans, had no information on when the cremation was to take place.

Inside the crematorium. Deng's body was in a glass coffin, the bottom half draped in the red Chinese flag. Despite his great age, the late leader's face appeared smooth

China's new leaders, wearing black armbands and headed by Mr Jiang, bowed three times to the remains of the man who changed the lives of millions with his free market economic reforms, but dis-played his ruthless side in ordering troops to suppress the Tiananmen demonstrations on June 4, 1989.

Li Peng, the Prime Minister, unusually thought the most tacitum of China's leaders, looked red-eyed and visibly affected as he moved round

Many of those who attended marched into position wearing standard-issue white mourning flowers made of paper. "Scatter hot tears for Comrade Deng Xiaoping"



read a banner with black characters held up by a group of people outside the hospital where Deng's body had been

Relatives of those who died in Tiananmen Square were also marking the passing of Deng, who is believed to have given the order for the People's Liberation Army to open fire.

When I first learnt about Deng's death, I got out of bed and burned incense to appease my son's soul in heaven," said Ding Zilin, whose son Jielian, a high school student, was 17 when he was killed. Mrs Ding is a professor of

philosophy at Beijing's Peo-ple's University who has written a book containing the names of 150 people who died in the military crackdown, and is one of the few people in China who speaks out forcefuly and is still at liberty. "What kind of responsibility did Deng bear in this massa-

cre?" she asked yesterday. This is something the Government cannot evade, and I hope they will muster the courage to do this soon." At the time, Deng congratulated troops and never later expressed regret. But his children have hinted privately

that they expect official histori-ans to review the verdict on the Tiananmen protest which was officially called a "counterrevolutionary rebellion".

Madeleine Albright, the US Secretary of State, arrived in Beijing on the ninth and last stage of a long familiarisation trip, and yesterday met Mr Jiang, Mr Li and Qian Qichen, the Foreign Minister.

Mrs Albright said later that no progress had been made on the issue of human rights but she was confident that the dialogue that was developing between China and the US



Mourners on the route of the funeral motorcade

### Canberra urges hal to assault on rebels

FROM ROGER MAYNARD IN SYDNEY AND INIGO GIUNORE IN JOHANNESBURG

AUSTRALIA stepped up th pressure on Papua New Guir ea last night to abort planned mercenary assau on the rebel island (

Bougainville.

John Howard, the Prim Minister, said the use ( foreign forces to destroy the rebel stronghold on the island which has been at the centre of a nine year secessionist struggle in which 1,300 people have died, "would be absolute! and completely unacceptable Sir Julius Chan, the Prim Minister of Papua New Guit ea, played down reports the 150 mercenaries from Afric were being flown in for a "sur

gical strike" against the Bot gainville Revolutionary Arms Describing the claims as in accurate and sensationalis Sir Julius said that his Gov ernment had hired Sandline International, a private mili tary training and logistica group and a business asso ciate of Executive Outcomes to help to train soldier fighting on Bougainville. H added: "I am sick and tired c our boys coming back in bod

bags."
Sir Julius's statement fol lowed a thinly veiled threat by Alexander Downer, the Aus tralian Foreign Minister, tha mercenary involvement could influence future aid negotia tions. Australia gives abou £150 million anaually to

Papua New Guinea. Kim Beazley, the Labo leader, said: "It is outrageou: that the Papua New Guines Government is hiring thugs to murder its own people while receiving military and aid

assistance from Australia." Eeben Barlow, the head o Executive Outcomes, would not be drawn on reports tha men from his corporate army had been hired by Papua Nev Guinea. "Client confidential ity is one of our principles," he

Executive Outcomes has been involved in "training" the armies of Angola and Siern Leone and helped to turn the tide of civil wars in both countries. Military operations in Angola and Sierra Leone have subsequently

# Tiananmen image worries Hong Kong general

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

IN WHAT must be one of the most extraordinary questions in recent Chinese history, the general who will command Beijing's garrison here after the June 30 handover asked his British counterpart if he had ever heard of Tiananmen Square.

Major-General Brian Dutton, Commander of British Forces in Hong Kong, said yesterday that during an informal conversation with General Liu Zhenwu, the Chinese officer

"asked me whether I had ever heard of Trananmen Square and said he was concerned that was the image the world had of the People's Liberation Army". According to General Dutton, General Liu assured him that "the Chinese wished to use Hong Kong as a window on the world to reverse that

General Liu's observations are the first public admission by a Chinese military man and perhaps any senior official that the Tianarimen Square massacre in 1989 was anything more than the army putting down a

"counter-revolutionary uprising". More striking still is that General Liu came close to contradicting General Chi Haotian, the Chinese Defence Minister, who during a visit to Washington last December told the National Defence University that no civilians had been killed in Tismanmen Square the night the army moved in. As Chief of the General Staff at the time, General Chi was in overall command of the 300,000, troops from 14 army groups operating

in Beijing. That General Lim should raise the

matter with General Dutton is a mark of the army's sensitivity and perhaps even shame about Tiananmen, which has often been rumoured but never openly admitted before.

The People's Liberation Army garrison has been making great efforts to make a good impression. The garrison will number 10,000, about the size of the British force until three years ago when the withdrawal began and which has now been reduced to 1,500. Eventually it is supposed the Chinese force will be reduced to 5,000 troops in Hong Kong, with 5,000 in Shenzhen.

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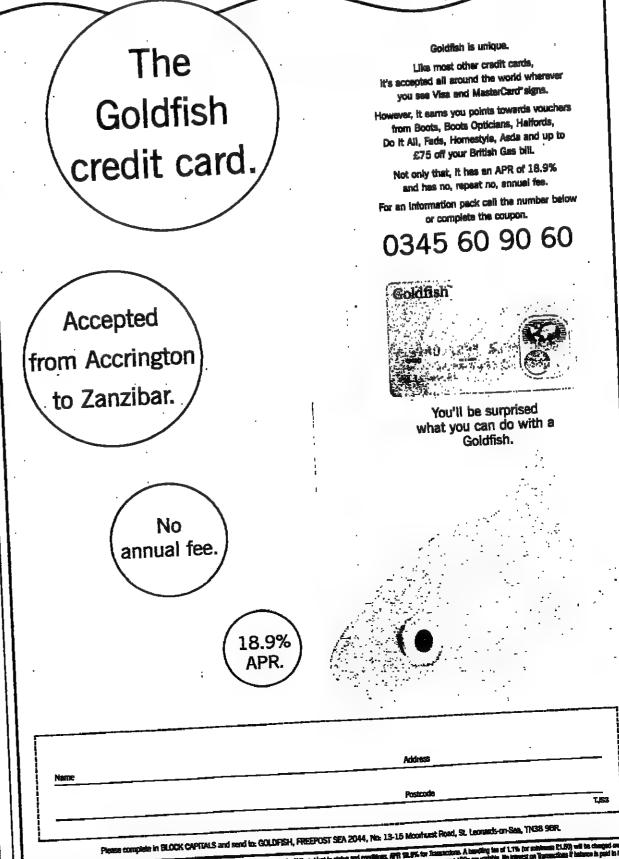
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# The Empire State gunman 'had lost life savings in US'

FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK

as aHE gunman who shot seven tion to the 1993 bombing of and rail terminals, airports, ho pople at the Empire State another New York landmark, ump uilding in New York was a ipe a year-old Palestinian Engg tosh teacher from the Gaza

a tririp, a man with no apparent Jeft olitical motivations but simarary a troubled mind and a mrcewly acquired, fully loaded ugs Fathiya Abu Kamal. 55, said

ent er husband, Ali Abu Kamal, nenc'as cheated out of savings of pour \$500,000 (£300,000) aphfter he arrived in the United nal dates last December seeking ficia financier for a new invest-om tent firm. "My hushand The lought his life ended at that as impensate him," she said. and He was 69 years old, he could unted regain his money. If he ana vally lired the shots, it was 195, nly out of despair and

unal The Empire State Building his us closed to tourists yesterlow by while police continued hen westigations into Sunday the vening's shooting, in which a The lanish visitor was killed. The stererpetrator lay in a Manhatartian hospital morgue, having rictihot himself after raking the ial kyscraper's 86th-floor obsertid fation deck with .38 bullets at ideite end of a sunny afternoon. stin Ramez Dahshan, a son-inho siw, said that Kamal, who was legataying in a down-market lew Yurk hotel, had no ties to adical groups. At first there ere suspicions that the shootdom nature of the shooting. New York, which has recently

No place to hide: murder

The shooting incident left the World Trade Centre, by Middle Eastern terrorists. six people wounded, three in a critical condition. Numerous Despite the apparently ranothers suffered minor injuries in the scramble to escape down the narrow staircase.

worked so hard to shed its violent image, posted "height-The incident took place at 5.05pm as the area was beginened security alerts" at bus

Earlier, Kamal had been in a state of excitement, pointing out sights to fellow visitors and trying to make conversa-tion: "You from Egypt?" he asked people. "Alexandria?" The viewing deck, scene of so many romantic interludes, including the hit films An Affair to Remember and Sleepless in Seattle, was turned into a David Robinson, a Briton

tunnels and bridges

ning to clear.

from Stafford, said: "I thought I heard a firecracker. Then everybody just split in panic, I ran Into the souvenir shop. Two guys who had been shot were in there, asking for help.

For Mr Robinson, who had gone straight to the Empire State after arriving on the afternoon flight from Britain. it was a brutal introduction to a New York he had presumed "People couldn't believe what was happening. I was very lucky because I was by the stairs and I just ran out of the

Nick Oltean, 28, from Long Island, compared the reaction



An injured tourist is taken away from the New York landmark for treatment after the shooting in which one person died

like a herd of cattle". Babies were dropped and trampled on in the melee.

Kamal, who was carrying travel documents which identified his home town as Ramallah, dled six hours after being taken to nearby Bellevue Hospital. Stef Nys, 36, a Belgian witness of the shootings, said that Kamal turned the gun on himself at the end. "He had a hole in his right temple," Mr Mys said.

Rudolph Giuliani, the Mayor of New York, rushed to the scene from a wedding he was conducting and insisted that

totally at odds with New Yark's recent drop in crime. Mr Giuliani is well aware that for all the good he and his police have done in recent years, images of the shooting will go around the world and may harm New York's annual \$12 billion (£7.45 billion) tour-

Questions were asked about security arrangements at the Empire State Building, which receives about three million visitors a year. After the World Trade Centre bomb, metal detectors and security checks

dropped after complaints from visitors and staff. A security camera recorded the gunman entering the building. "He had a long coat and the gun was under it." said a spokesman. "You couldn't see

is controlled by the controver sial businesswoman Leona Helmsley, who appeared eager to make the best of the misfortune by announcing that, in a departure from her legendary misanthropy, she wounded to be flown to New



before opening fire

Kamal: chatted to visitors

### Albright pursued for 'denying past'

By QUENTIN LETTS

VHILE Madeleine Albright, the US ecretary of State, tours the globe meeting vorld leaders, her reputation in America has continued to take an extraordinary avaging over her family history.

Ms Albright's recent arrival in office pincided with reports that she was of ewish descent and had "failed" to cknowledge the fact that her parents, fter leaving Prague in the 1930s, had onverted from Judaism to Roman

What in Britain might have been a 24our story has been dragged out day after y, mainly by Jewish commentators in

background. The words "betrayal" and arguments have ranged from the peeved "denial" have been linked to her name, and a cartoon showed her burying her to the downright abusive, with correspondents and polemicists generally attacking Jewish identity in a mass grave. Ms Albright herself has said that she Ms Albright for alleged betrayal of her

has "nothing to hide" and maintains that her parents did not tell her that they were An initial flurry of excitement among Jews that the new steward of US foreign Jewish, or that her grandparents died in policy was one of their own soon faded Nazi concentration camps. In the past she received letters from Czech officials about when reports questioned just how much Ms Albright had known. In New York, her family's history, but she says that she which has the biggest Jewish population outside Israel. Ms Albright's name is now commonly uttered with distaste. Correspondence columns of the city's newspa-

pers have carried numerous assaults on

ber motives in allegedly smudging her

did not pay them much attention. Of her maiden name, Korbel, people have asked her. "Did you not realise it was a Jewish name?" She has replied that she had been told it was an old Czech word for a drinking cup.

### Gates reaps a smaller fortune

BY QUENTIN LETTS

THE fortune of Bill Gates, the boss of the American software giant Microsoft, which earlier this month was said to be possibly the greatest in the history of mankind, ranks only 31st in a newly-published league table of American

Two East Coast analysts took the individual fortunes of the richest Americans since the country's revolution and compared the figures to the gross national product of the

day. Richest, by far, was the oilman John D Rockefeller, whose \$1.4 billion at the time of his death equalled 1/65th of the gross national product. Closest to him was Cornelius

Vanderbilt, the foul-mouthed Dutch-descended shipping magnate of the 19th century, who had 1/87th of the GNP

Mr Gates, say the authors Michael Klepper and Robert Gunther, has the equivalen of 1/425th of America's GNP. Admittedly, the figures were compiled before his latest spurt on the bullish New York stock market.

Top 10 richest Americans: 1 J D Rockefeller ......d. 1937, oil 2 C Vanderbilt ......d. 1877, ships 3 J J Astor d.1848, fur/land 4 S Girard d.1831, banking 5 A Carnegie d.1919, steel 6 A T Stewart d.1876, retail 7 F Weyerhaeuserd 1974, timber 8 J Gould......d.1892, finance 9 S Van Rensselaerd 1839, land 10 M. Field., d.1906, retall/land

\*The Wealthy 100 by Michael Klepper and Robert Gunther (Citadel Press). ".

# Kennedy Olice Wi lobbies to lot to a keep sister in Dublin Spanis

SENATOR Edward Kennedy, apparently angered by British demise as US Ambassador to ireland, has lobbied President Clinton to extend her tour in

Dublin. Mr Kennedy was reportedly spotted at a Democratic function in the White House earlier this month where he cornered the President and asked to discuss the question of Jean Kennedy Smith staying in Ireland. The discussion followed a directive from the White House to all non-career diplomats which demanded that they step down after three years, it also came after a Times report, denied by the White House and the State Department, that Madeleine Albright, the US Secretary of State, intended to cut short Mrs Kennedy Smith's tenure as part of a shift in policy on Ireland.

Although the directive stated that non-career diplomats, 25 per cent of the American of June. Mrs Kennedy Smith is not expected to be replaced before the end of the year.

The White House would not confirm yesterday that Mr Kennedy had discussed the issue with Mr Clinton. The President is very happy with her performance and she will be staying as long as he wants her," one official said.

The most public reason for keeping her in place is the British election. With the pos-sibility of a Labour government, the White House wants to retain continuity for peace talks. However, British reports, believed to have scuppered a meeting between Maybew, the Northern Ire-

land Secretary, appear to have

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resonated strongly in the Irish-American community. Mr Kennedy's office declined to comment vesterday but diplomats in Washington said the veteran senator was unhappy with any suggestion of a shift in policy by the Administration. Mrs Kennedy Smith is said to want to remain next year and the success or fallure of her brother's lobbying will be made clearly visible by any date for her departure.

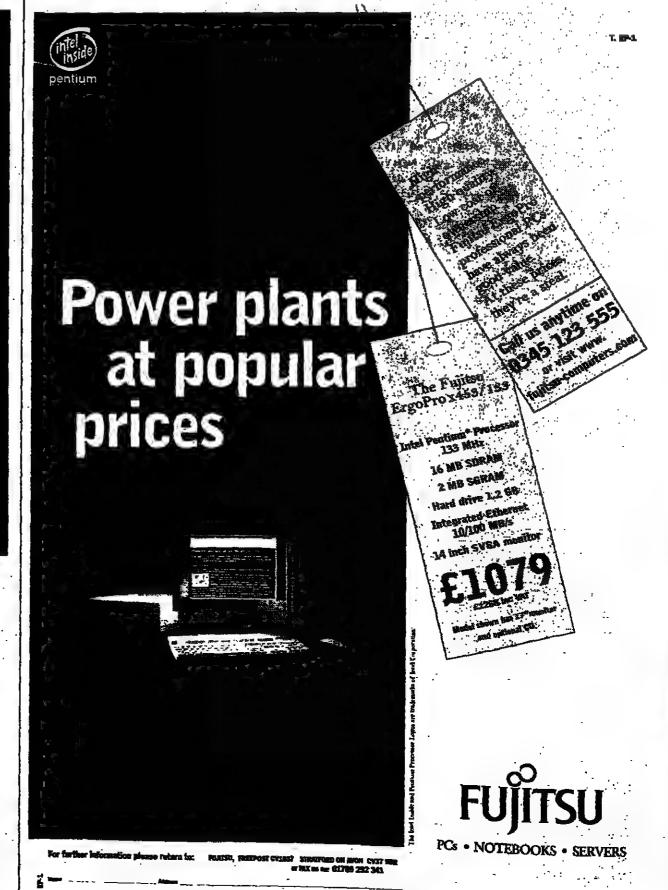
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# Police uncover Eta plot to assassinate Spanish princess

By Ben Macintyre in paris and Tunku Varadaraian in madrid

BASQUE terrorists planned to murder or kidnap the Infanta Elena de Borbon, eldest daughter of King Juan Carlos of Spain, while she was out horse-riding in southwest France, according to one of France's top counter-terrorism

The plot by militants of the Basque separatist group Eta was uncovered after the arrest last month of José Luis Urrosolo Sistiaga, believed to be number three in the Eta leadership, Roland Jacquard, head of the independent International Terrorism Observatory in Paris, told France-Soir

"Urrosolo planned a highprofile and symbolic coup: the kidnapping or assassination of the Spanish Infanta," M Jacquard, who has close links with the French secret ser-

However, Fernando Delgado Martinez, a senior spokesman for the Spanish Interior Ministry, said yesterday that he "had absolutely no knowledge" of any plot to kill or

kidnap the Infanta Elena. Senor Urrosolo, 39, was arrested in Bordeaux on January 16 after driving through a police barrier. He was allegedly carrying a revolver and false identity papers. M Jachis arrest showing he had carried out intense surveillance of the locations where the King of Spain's daughter took showjumping courses at clubs in the southwest of France."

A passionate horsewoman the Infanta Elena, 33, second in line to the Spanish throne after her brother Prince Felipe, has lived in Paris since her marriage two years ago and regularly trains at French equestrian clubs.

The alleged plot to murder the Infanta Elena is not Eta's first attempt to strike at Spain's Royal Family, An attempt to murder the King was folled in August 1995. when Spanish police arrested

Scotland Yard's 80-strong SOI4 unit, which provides protection for the Royal Family, is certain to have been alerted to the Spanish

Special Branch and M15 have links to other security forces in the EU. British police would have a special interest because members of the Royal Family, espe-cially the Prince of Wales and his former wife, have visited the Spanish royal

ered "documents at the time of three snipers in Majorca. Eta separatists are believed to have identified targets in France in retaliation for the increased co-operation between French and Spanish anti-terrorism authorities, which has led to more than 200 arrests over the past ten

> Some 51 Spanish members of Eta are currently imprisoned in France, and young Basque separatist militants have reportedly set up terrorist cells in Brittany, the Gironde region and around

Counter-terrorist experts in France say that elements within Ets may have chosen to bring their campaign to France in defiance of the group's political leadership. Juan Luis Aguirre, Eta's logistics second-in-command,

was arrested last November in a "safe house" in Bayonne, where police recovered documents proposing "punitive" attacks in France and naming a series of possible targets including Jean-Louis Debré, the French Interior Minister, Laurence Le Vert, the antiterrorism judge and Roger Marion, the Paris police chief in charge of anti-terrorist operations. Charles Pasqua, the former Interior Minister, was



The Infanta Elena de Borbón. King Juan Carlos's eldest daughter and second in line to the Spanish throne, who now lives in Paris



### Chameleon on the run for 20 year

JOSÉ Luis Urrusolo Sistiaga, alias Joseba, was Spain's most wanted Basque terrorist at the time of his arrest (Tunku Varadarajan writes). His genius for disguise

earned him notoriety as "the man with a thousand faces". and police have remarked on the manner in which he could transform himself in minutes a young lawyer to someone Basque grandfather". Señor Urrusolo, 39, was arrested by police close to his hideout near Bordeaux on January 17. He is regarded by Spanish police as the most dangerous member of the high command of Ets. the Basque terrorist group which has waged a violent campaign for since 1968, in which more than 800 people have died. serving members. He is believed to be the

group's number three, charge of logistics and arms training of new recr Eta's world, however. anti-terrorist experts in St speculate that Senor Urru might even have been group's overall comman charges of murder, he jo Eta in 1976, making him of the organisation's long

### Kohl fights for survival with talks on tax reform

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

HELMUT KOHL, the German Chancellor, yesterday embarked on a bruising fight for political survival by inviting leading opposition Social gotiations on the long-delayed reform of the German tax:

The Bonn talks, which are likely to continue for about a month, come amid frenzied speculation about the German leader's future. Herr Kohl has told friends that he will declare after Easter whether he

Some believe this means the Chancellor will be guided by ersonal or even sentimental reasons — he has just become a grandfather and the whole family will gather briefly over the holiday. However, the most important indication of his future will be the outcome of the talks with the Social Democrats.

Herr Kohi has broken away from his social conservative

political roots and is trying to recast himself as the moderniser of Germany. Tax. health and pension reforms are all on the agenda as the Chancellor tries to overhaul public spending and trim back lor's legislation. the welfare state, in part to meet the entry criteria for

European economic and monctary union. As a result he has exposed the risks in his party between conservatives and reformers. and now needs to call on the support of the Social Demo-

### US instructors accused of rape

Darmstadt: Three American army instructors in Germany have been suspended over claims that they sexually harassed and raped at least 21 women soldiers. US military authorities said here. (AFP)

divided on how far the welfare system can be pruned. The Social Democrats enjoy a majority in the Bundesrat, the upper house of parliament; which has been blocking or delaying some of the Chancel-

Bonn's governing coalition wants to cut the top level of income tax from 53 to 39 per cent, they want to scrap tax advantages for those who work at weekends or nights, and impose income tax on pensions starting from £12,000 a year. The Government also wants to tax profits from maturing life insurance policies. It is considering making up for the shortfall in tax revenue by raising value add-

The Social Democrats resist, for electoral reasons, any tax on pensions or night and shift work. However, the key question will be how to make up the tax revenue shortfall.

Anatole Kaletsky, page 16

### Tycoon lines up for Serb presidency and figurehead for street demonstrat

IN SAILLIEVO

BOGOLJUB KARIC, Serbia's richest businessman, has said that he will run for the country's presidency if the opposition Zajedno coalition cannot put forward a realistic candidate to challenge the ruling

According to reports in Belgrade, the multimillionaire Mr Karic, who has

Canadian citizenship, had private talks with student leaders in which he said he saw a "unique chance" to save Serbia. Mr Karic was previously a confident of President Milosevic, and his defection from the head of state's inner circle provides fresh evidence that the Serbian eader is rapidly losing vital friends.

Zajedno has so far maintained that its presidential candidate should be Vuk Draskovic, but the charismatic novelist

is viewed with suspicion by many St Mr Karic, 43, is regarded as a Orthodox patriot with international e rience and contacts who, unlike many not sully his name through war profit ing and sanctions-busting. His rift v Mr Milosevic surfaced last month w his Braca Karic television changed et rial policy and began giving full cover to the Belgrade street protests.

### over Nato threatened by France FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN BRUSSELS

New rift

FRANCE is prepared to re-verse its decision to rejoin Nato if Washington maintains its refusal to give up control of the Southern Com-Prench officials said yester

Diplomats confirmed a hardening in French terms for returning to full Nato membership as the alliance reported more progress than expected in negotiations with Yevgeni Primakov, the Ruspact that would smooth the ation of a "Nato-Russia Council" to be based at the alliance's headquarters in

Paris has been growing frustrated over the lack of support from its allies for its plans for the rapid "Europeawhich it set last year as the price for its re-entry. While France's recalcitrance is wide viewed as a negotiating ploy in the run-up to a string of key Nato decisions. French officials acknowledge that President Chirac could find domestie advantage in stay-

ing out of the organisation. France's main demand has been the appointment of a European officer in charge of the Naples command, which includes the US Sixth Fleet and has always been held by Americans. Madeleine Albright, the US Secretary of State, told President Chirac last week that the arrange

ment was not negotiable.

The French are in turn telling the Americans that they are prepared to stay outside rather than back down and the matter must be settled by a Nato summit in July. This is going to depend on the White House. It's something that goes beyond Albright. Clinton will have to cut a deal," a senior French official said yesterday. Hervé de Charette, the

French Foreign Minister, said yesterday he stuck by a threat which he delivered to Nato colleagues in Brussels last week. Reforming the Naples command, which will be one of only two European region-Nato, was the key to answer ing France's needs, he said. "If there is continuing disagreement, we will be obliged to stay where we are. An historic occasion would have

M de Charette proposed a scheme to share the Naples command between an American and a European officer of equal rank. US officials said it would not be a tragedy" if France went its own way, given the irritation that M Chirac and his team have caused Washington recently.

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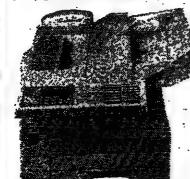
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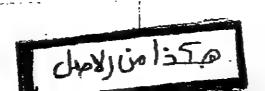
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here was a prickle at the back of my neck as I walked across the car park towards the nce of Dunblane Prima-Shool. The last time I had there, the road was taken by police, the pavequeue of grey-faced ts, the crash-barriers Ints, the crastream of the held back a phalanx of the morning massacre, and news was beginning to filter out the enormity of what appened. Now, the only "Jual sign was the security Tat the door who asked me iame, got me to sign in handed me an identity The rest was normal. On walls were children's ings. From beind a closed came the sound of a er raising her voice rist a background of chat-ia. A clutch of five-yearrossed the hall, giggling, eir way to another class. emed quieter than an ary primary school, but ips that was just my

one of the unsung heroes imblane. It was he who ed into that gymnasium, onted the horror of what nas Hamilton had ght and then dealt with termath. He has had to together a school in comfort its parents, are its children and the morale of its staff, at the same time dealing the massive pressure of a attention. No one who ned him on television the the children first went to school will ever forget ray he performed — calm, reassuring, emo-This has been a long, week full of tears," he "Dunblane is still in





Ron Taylor and the class that was attacked: "I have learnt just how resilient children are. But despite their resilience, they think about things in a lot more depth. Some of the insights they have are amazing"

that came last week has gone. This day marks the beginning of our recovery. And mark my words, we will recover. I promise you that." The words were unscripted. Ron Taylor was given just ten minutes' notice of the interview. "I was taken by surprise," he says now. "There was no time to prepare anything."

So has the promise been fulfilled? He took me over to the window of his small office. It looks out onto the playground, a view that he has deliberately chosen. Outside the boys and girls of Primary One and Two were having their break. They were scampering across the yard, joining in boisterous games, breaking off for quick, secret conversations, behaving the way young children do when they have escaped from class. They in-cluded several who had been injured by Hamilton's bullets. Tell me." he said, "how do

those children look to you? Do

they look like normal children enjoying themselves?" I said they did. "Well, there's the answer. That's what has made this last year worthwhile." That simple scene, of course,

masks a more complex reality. The scars of March 13 are still exposed, and Mr Taylor has learnt much since then about children and how they deal with shock and loss. "I have learnt just how resilient children are. But despite their resilience, they think about things in a lot more depth than people realise. I know from discussions and things they written that they are almost more reflective than adults are, and some of the insights they have are amazing."

A number of the children, for instance, wondered at Christmas whether it would be all right to enjoy the day in view of what had happened. Teachers had to spend a lot of time reassuring them that of course it would be "We dis-

cussed how we were never going to forget the children who died, but equally we had to move on, too. For young children to be concerned that Christmas was something they could enjoy was a real problem for us."

hat concern continues. "We have a seven-year-old boy who has a birthday very close to the anniversary, and he is going through a lot of problems about whether he should have a party. It's these kind of issues that arise all the time." As if that was not enough, there has been a restructuring, with some pupils moving to a new school across the river. They have not wanted to go, and some have worried about "abandoning" their classmates.

The children are not the only ones to have faced emotional hurdles. The teachers, including those who were

injured by Hamilton's bullets, have had to present a reassuring front to their pupils every day. Yet they are coping with psychological stress of a kind hard for the rest of us to imagine. Neither Mr. Taylor nor his staff have taken more than a day or two off since the tragedy. Certainly, there has been counselling and psychological support, but in the end they have been thrown back on their own resources. "Because this is a unique situation," says Mr. Taylor, "no one can really guide us. The stress on staff has been tremendous. Dealing with their own feelings and trying to cope with the children and

tremendous. Dealing with a their own feelings and trying to cope with the children and trying to make the school a normal learning environment has been a huge task. But they've coped and achieved that magnificently. Morale that always been high and the team spirit that has developed has been quite marvellous.

"Many have gone to GPs to receive medication and have been put on to counsellors or psychiatrists or whatever. Each person copes in their own way. But the interesting thing is that almost everyone had to do that. Myself included. Some pupils require considerable help. They find school a sanctuary almost. It's strange. I would hesitate to say it's a safe environment for them. But in a way it is. When they're home some children exhibit problems. But here they are together with their friends and getting support.

And that's how the staff feel."

Mr Taylor has decided —
not without some disagreement — to keep the school
open on March 13. The doors
will open at 10.30 so that

They find school a sanctuary almost, it is strange'

families can visit the site of the shooting — the gymnasium has long since been razed, and trees planted in the space. Thereafter it will be a normal day. Suggestions that there should be a minute's silence were rejected as inappropriate. What do you ask Primary Two children to think about?

Presiding over this will be a man who exudes quiet confi-dence, but who is also subject to strong emotion. As well as dealing with the aftermath of tragedy. Mr Taylor has been going through a divorce, so there has been no stable family to fall back on. How has he coped? Mainly, he says, by talking. "I feel able to talk without too much of a problem." he says. "Each person copes in their own way, myself included. Here we are together with friends and getting sup-port. There will always be scars. Always emotional scars. It's not something one can ever forget. Losing a colleague and losing children are just one's worst nightmare. But to survive and to be true to the children who are here, we have to put it behind us and move on. We have no option. it's not easy, and I think

this approaching antiversary has crystallised that for us. We feel this is the largest hurdle we have had to face. But hopefully, it is the last one."

### 'Our job is simply to be there'

"I CAN detect from some people almost a sense of relief that we are coming to what they would recognise as the final hurdle," says the Rev Colin McIntosh. "After this, they are saying Dumblane will get back to normal."

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That may be the hope. Mr McIntosh himselfseems less certain of it being realised. The
minister of Dumblane Cathedral, who has been
dealing with the spiritual crisis into which the
town was plunged by the events of March 13, is
still deeply troubled by its aftermath, and
cannot see the scars being easily

cannot see the scars being easily healed. "I am conscious of the mistakes I have made, and also, in retrospect, the things I feel I should have anticipated but didn't. Like realising that we would come to the stage where people would be moving on at different rates. I think I should have known that."

He concedes that after the initial unity, there was "a simmering tension" in the community which came to a head just before Christmas. A trivial incident over whether to site a Christmas tree at the

divided those who believed that the time had come to hum their backs on the tragedy, and those who could not put the past behind them. "It actually was a very cathartic time," says Mr McIntosh. "It helped a lot of us to realise that we couldn't expect people to be thinking and saying the same things, because they were at different stages. And when we stopped and looked at some of the things we had said, we were a wee bitty ashamed of ourselves. We had

to respect each other."

It has made him pull back from the role that was initially assigned to him — as much by the media as the town itself — of spiritual guide, figurehead almost for a grieving community. His message from the pulpit at the message

service, with its wonderfully moving sentence, "God's was the first of all our hearts to break", placed him at the centre of the Dumblane stage. Now, however, he has doubts about the wisdom of that approach. "I wonder if the role for a number of us is not to be a little more quiet... to stay in the background. For quite a large-part of the year we were fairly prominent because, in all humility, we felt that the community had to be guided. But a year on,

people are all at different stages in the process of healing. Whereas last March we could say that the whole community was united in that everyone felt exactly the sanichare can't say that now ... Our job is simply to be there and available, but a bit more quietly in the backgrounds... does that make sense!

He admin, too, that for many "God has not been at the top of their agenda". Their preoccupation has been with survival rather than questions about faith and recordi-

Colin McIntosh questions about faith and recoredlation. 12 think an increasist, emetery musically people do not express their faith inline had terms of church attendance, so it's difficult to edy, and quantify how that faith has been affected. But ad them. there is a lot of distress at a very deep level and

reactions to that are very different."

It is clear that the minister feels that "deep level of distress" himself. Sitting in the large manse with his two large golden retrievers beside him, he seems a lonely figure, only too conscious of his inadequacy in helping others to cope with their suffering. Everyone who knows him says this is simply not the case and that he has been a tower of strength. He remains unconvinced. But though events may have shaken his faith, they have not undermined it. "At the same time, I felt that I was being helped, if that makes sense."



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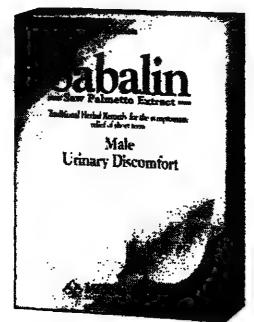
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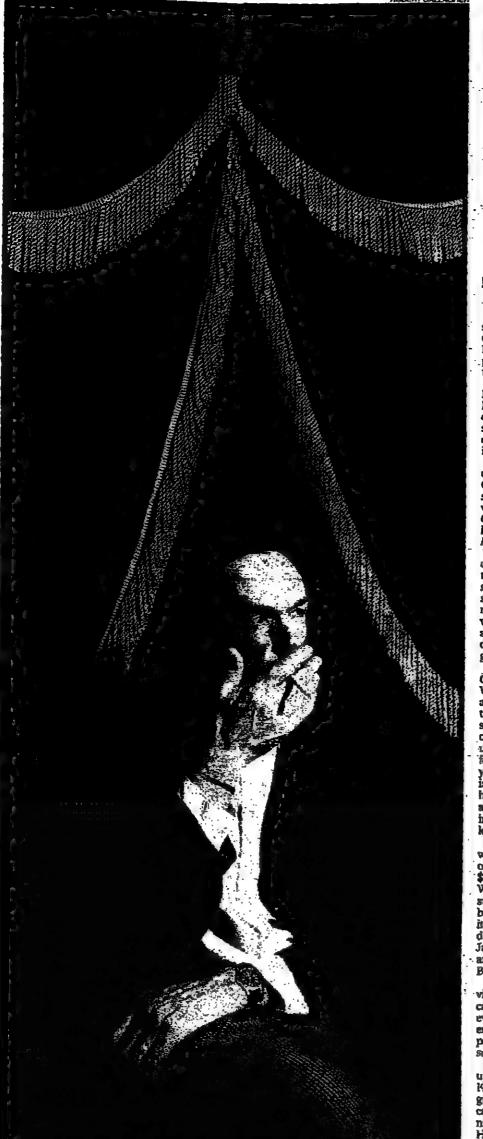


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For Gems, Mars Attacks was his "baby", but it may also be his Hollywood swansong

# 'I spent too much of my time on wine and women'

o the muted strains of a swing band, three strippers shimmy out of their corsets and shake their assets at the camera, over and over again. Between takes Jonathan Gems peers into a video monitor and

The location is a cramped Hollywood basement made to look like a smoke-filled nightclub. Money is tight, time is short and rumour has it that one of the girls is being an intolerable prima donna.

Considering he has never directed a film before. Mr Gents is a picture of cool. He seldom raises his voice and his woolly skull cap and rumpled Oxfam jacket make him look like, a. waik-on from Les

The outfit could have been calculated to send the message that its wearer has already survived most of the traumas showbiz can throw at a man. not to mention those of living with a famous mother and a sister born with Down's syndrome. It will take more than a grumpy starlet to upset him.

Gems is the son of Parn Gerns, the grande dame of the West End whose hit play about Stanley Spencer has just transferred to New York. Her son, too, was a colourful figure on the London theatre scene until moving west to seek his fortune in the movies seven years ago, and his current film is his \$1 million adaptation of his mother's play, The Treat, about three prostitutes gearing up for a big night with a local politician.

On his last job the stakes were higher, he was the writer of Mars Attacks, a massive \$80 million sci-fi spoof from Warner Brothers that was supposed to rule the spring box office in America. Instead it had a miserable opening despite a cast that includes Jack Nicholson, Glenn Close and an unusually funny Pierce

The film, Gems says, was a victim of "the worst marketing campaign that Warners have ever done". But for a Brit enmeshed in by far the biggest project of his career, it was still something of a triumph.

He dreamt the whole thing up after stumbling on a set of 1950s Mars Attacks bubblegum cards in a junk shop called Wacko on Melrose Avenue - his local King's Road. He sold the idea of ray-gun happy Martians in 70mm celluloid to his friend, the director Tim Burton, whom he Jonathan Gems, the British screenwriter of Mars Attacks, is currently directing his first American film, The Treat. But after that is finished he plans to leave Los Angeles and return to London. He tells Giles Whittell why

paired up with another friend, blockbuster in the US about the model Lisa Marie, after working with Burton on the first Barman film in 1989. (The couple have since been married, and divorced.) Burton hired Gems to write a script and a first draft was ready by January 1995.

At that point Gems was "Somebody, I don't know

who, got me canned," he says, munching an apple between scenes. Then the studio hired this writing team who re-did the script and basically made a mess of it. So the movie was going to be cancelled. Everyone was put on notice that they were going to be fired too." Gems says he then rode to

the rescue with his own rewrite which the studio approved. Jack Nicholson also performed a crucial role by agreeing to play a nauseating spineless President, but if, as seems likely, the film recoups its costs when it opens in Britain on Friday, Gems will have every right to feel smug. Mars Attacks is, to a large extent, his "baby", but it may

also be his Hollywood swansong. He has no idea whether The Treat will make it into cinemas, and once it is shot he plans to return to London and live in a house hought with his screenwriting winnings in a leafy mews in Shepherds Bush. 'Los Angeles is a desert," he

says, "There's no nourishment here. It's a good place to make films because the world film industry is here, but it's not a good place to live,"

He refuses to comment on dark gossip that Independence Day, last summer's an alien invasion, was based on a purloined copy of his Mars Artacks seriot.

But when our conversation turns to a different sort of shafting for which Hollywood is well known, he lets rip with startling venom: "All the women are whores here, especially if you're a director. All

Los Angeles is a desert -- it's a good place to make films. but not a good place to live'

the most beautiful women in the world come here to get into the movies, and they think they can do it if they for a director. You can imagine how intense it is. It's the men who are the victims of sexual

"In the old days the casting couch was where old producers would try and bed the young starlets," he continues. apparently considering himself old at 45, "Now it's the other way round."

Jonathan Gems is either a natural purveyor of careless hyperbole or he leads a madly exotic life. Perhaps both. De spite his mother's impeccable standing in champagne socialist circles, thanks to plays like Queen Christina and Piaf, he that they picketed the Royal Court Theatre in a vain attempt to curb a popular stam-

private schools including Stowe. (The fees came from a

small fortune his father made

by opening a chain of wax

museums across America in

He left Stowe at 17 and never

went to college - something he pretends, at least, not to

regret. Being beaten and

buggered at boarding school

was a good training for life,"

he says in the tone of a bank

manager remembering his

army cadet days. "Especially

the London fringe in the late

Seventies, however. There

Gems broke through with his

first full-length play. The Tax Exile, which was also the first

piece of work he let his mother

He did not regret it - it won

several awards and an extend-

ed run at the Bush Theatre —

but she did, telling an inter-

viewer that she worried about whether he would be able to

cope with his success, or

He certainly wallowed in it.

"After The Tax Exile all the

girls in London wanted to f

me, so I let them," he says with

typical modesty. "It was an

interesting but ultimately very

destructive experience. I spent

too much time on wine and

women and not enough time

working, and I would end up broke. I've since learnt you

have to husband your talents."

means to be outspoken, and, at

the same time, politically in-

correct. In 1985 his play Su-

san's Breasts, which he calls "a

simple teenage love story", so

enraged London's feminists

Gems has also learnt what it

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the late 1960s.)

He relishes describing how Max Stafford-Clarke, the the-aire's artistic director, banned him from his own play because he wanted to keep in with the feminists". Talking about his disabled sister, Lala, is clearly harder. Even so, he takes on the Establishment with gusto.

The social services can be quite fascistic in taking children away from their families and putting them in homes just because they're handicapped," he says. "A hundred years ago every village had a village idiot and they were an enriching part of society. Now they put them away, where of course they die young, in misery, and society doesn't have the pleasure of their

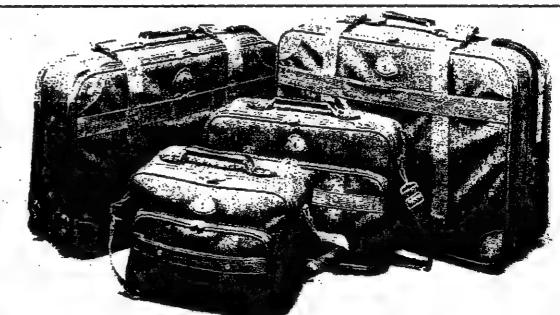
ala, by contrast spends a third of the year in a special school in Wales and two thirds at home with her

At 27 she has a mental age of nine, and is, her big brother says, "completely delightful" - not least as a source of naive comedy which he traces back to the era of commedia dell'arte and tries to incorporate in his own work.

He will soon be seeing more of ther, and of a London he is convinced is on the verge of a film-making boom. "We've got the talent, we've got the technicians and we've got the stars," he says. "All we need is intelligent producers and government help in taking away some of the tax restrictions. Then film-making would be highly profitable, and a much saler bet than . . . " he flails for a comparison, but only briefly,

From the man who just wrote Mars Attacks, that's some vote of confidence.





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# Faith in the family

Devaluing domesticity is fatal to

society, says Jonathan Sacks

Consider a family: father, mother and children. They live, eat and relax together, though each wants times and spaces in which to be alone. There are certain rules that bind them together, without which they would find it difficult to get along. Let us suppose that these include such things as this: that on at least some nights of the week they eat together, that not everyone talks at once, that there is a roughly equitable sharing of responsibilities, and that when Mum or Dad says that it's time to go to bed, there are rituals of protest followed by

Sometimes the rules break down, as they do in every family. There are arguments, "scenes", minor rebellions. These are followed by the routines of reconciliation someone says sorry, he or she is forgiven, order is restored, and love reaffirmed. In this sequence of everyday transactions we witness, in miniature, the making and sustaining of the moral life.

Deep beneath the surface of this family are certain fundamental concepts: fidelity, loy-alty, responsibility, authority, obedience, justice and compas-

sion. They frame a series of expectstions: that neither husband nor wife will commit adultery, that when the children are young they will do what they are told, sometimes (though as rarely as possible) without fully understanding why, that parental requests will be consistent, fair and in the longchildren, and that the members of the family will not walk out on one another or ignore a cry for

invent our families than our language

We no more

help. Except in extreme situations, these things do not need to be spelt invented, any more than they have made the language they speak. It is something they have inherited from the culture - from habit or custom, or the example of their parents, or possibly religious teaching. But when one of the hasic rules is broken, there is a breach in the wall of trust, and unless it is mended, the family will not be the same again.

The stable family is not a dispensable institution. Communities such as the Israeli kibbutz have tried, and after long experience, have reverted to more traditional patterns. The family is the crucible of much that matters in later life, the growth of sympathy and trust and sociability. It is where we learn who we are, where we came from, and where we belong. Above all, it is the matrix of the belief that lies at the heart of hope itself. namely that love given is not given in vain, that in the sharing of vulnerabilities we discover strength. Heaven help us if, as a society. We are judged by history to have campaigned for the protection of animals, birds, rare plants and rainforests while failing to heed the try of our own

children.
It is not that there are no government policies that would, over the course of

time, bring healing to the frac-

tured family. There are. We could use the law, education and fiscal policy to send a clear message that marriage, though not the only, is the socially preferred context of child-rearing. Indeed, in strict economic terms there are overwhelming reasons for doing so. The family can be strengthened, and even on strictly non-moral grounds, should be. But it will not be done. The political will is lacking.

A politics of institutions is not a politics of interest, it is a politics of the common good. To exist at all it must be prepared to make moral judg-ments, not indeed to legislate on them, but at the very least to bring them within the domain of public debate, so that in time we may be able to create a political will that is currently lacking. With grave trepidation, therefore, I want to say what others, surely no iess wise, believe cannot be

sponsibilities at all, then we have moral responsibilities to those we brought into being. To have a child and then walk away is an abandonment of the most extreme kind, whatstance. If we have a duty to ful-

fil any undertaking, we have a duty to honour the pledge of marriage. For in marriage we ask for and offer a commitment to share not this or that aspect of life but life itself. Marriage is the supreme example of a moral bond. If marriage is holy, adultery is a sin. If it is

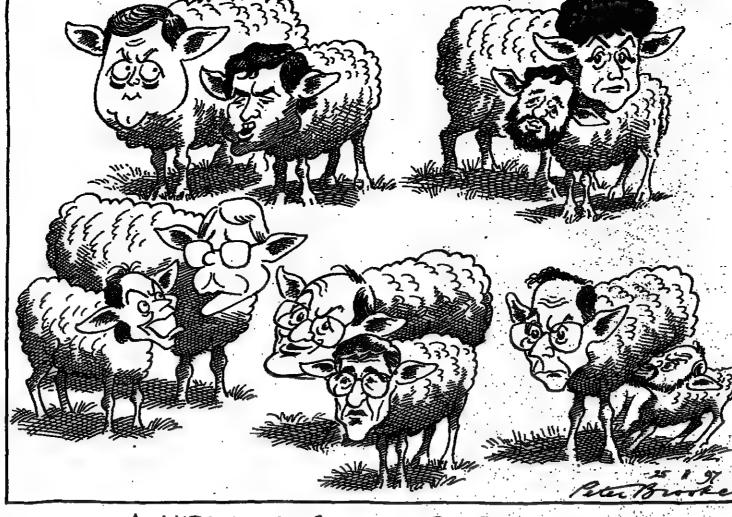
because it is a betrayai — of a partner, a commitment, a promise, a trust. Understanding why adultery is wrong allows us to

understand why few acts are truly private. It devalues the currency of commitment: the word spoken, the pledge given, the promise undertaken. What we do today others may do in the future. affected, consciously or unconsciously, by our example. We tacitly teach our partners, friends, and above all our children, that despite our most serious undertakings, the word of another person cannot be trusted.

Reconnecting morality and politics is the genesis of hope, because morality restores to politics the idea that there are things I can change. I am bound to others, and together we are the coauthors of our world. Of this, the supreme example is the family. Far from being the institution we can least affect. it is the one we can most affect. as it is made or unmade by our

The devaluing of the family and the legitimising of sexual licence, whether in Ancient Greece or contemporary Britain, is the beginning of the end of a social system. If there are any objective limits to a moral order, they lie here. We need to be cared for before we can learn to care for others. The family will die only if we lose faith in it. We have not lost faith in it, so it will not die.

This is the final extract from The Politics of Hope, to be published on March 6 by Cape, (£15.99).



A MIRACLE OF SCIENCE: PERFECT COPIES

# Like a wolf on the fold

The shepherd's calendar will never be the same now that we have Dolly the lamb, cloned in Edinburgh from a scrap of udder. This revolutionary mammal is the first offspring grown, via a modified egg and surrogate mother, from a shred of an adult animal's body to which she is genetically identical. Why, hello Dolly: I trust the

spring keeps line for you.

It is just as well that the team at the Roslin Institute and PPL Therapeutics have so carefully explained why they did it. We are told that Dolly offers the possibility of producing flocks of medicated transgenic milksheep to help, for instance, haemophiliacs. As medical research, she is less vulnerable to Luddite vilification: it would clearly never have done for some supermarket chain to have brazenly presented her as the answer to the problem of standardising lamb chops so as to bring down the costs of

Even so, the Frankenstein alarmists have had plenty to work on. If they can do it with sheep, they will soon work out how to do it to human beings, they cry. It is illegal in Britain even to try, but who knows about the world's less lawful corners? Commentators have dug out Ira Levin's old thriller The Boys from Brazil, in which neo-Nazis secretly clone Hitlers in the rainforest and place the children for adoption in families with an identical social profile to the late Adolf's, hoping to strike lucky again. Aldous Huxley's Brave New World has been dusted off, too, with its image of obedient workers being rolled off a production line (a)though they were not clones of an adult but grossly multiplied twins. 15,000 per

egg). There has been wild talk of dictators cloning themselves, impresarios cloning ageing superstars (grow your own Ken Dodd) or parents stockpiling spare embryos of their baby in case of cot-death. The Times caused many of us to choke over yesterday's toast with a deadpan line from a science writer about a woman who asked him "only last week" how she could clone her dead father and bring him back to life as a baby, perhaps even carrying him in her own womb. He has sent her a message saying "it will be possible sooner than she thinks". Sadly, this does not appear to have been accompanied by another message saying "See a psychiatrist, madam, now." No doubt by today even more grisly possibilities will have emerged. Cloning animals reduces diversity, and means imperilling genetic

strains that we may need in future

up to and including the suggestion that Baroness Thatcher has donated a chunk of soft tissue to the backgroom boys at Conservative Central Office, while old Labour renegades are sec-retly churning out baby Benns. Good, rousing sci-fi stuff: you might easily forget that it all began with one little lamb.

This is a pity. Leaving aside the disgusting and wholly pointless possibility of human cioning, there are more urgent questions. This break-through has been made with animals, and the earliest risks lie with animals. Transgenic medical sheep are only the begin-

ning. There are oth er, equally profit-able areas of livestock management which would love to reproduce their favourite specimens. How long before the first Derby or Grand National

winner passes the post only to have a bit of flesh nipped neatly out of its rump and injected into a blasted-out egg? How long before a service is offered to besotted per-owners whereby the incipient demise of the dear shi-tzu is softened by the prospect of rebuilding it from a bit of ear? How long before someone numbles to the marketing opportuni-ties for Disney? Just think of the profit on selling the actual Dalmatians worldwide, a hundred and one

million of them.

As for the agricultural industry, it would welcome herds of identical, trouble-free, genetically redesigned beasts. Food producers have already given us the turkey with so much breast that it can't mate naturally, the sow which needs a Caesarean section to give birth, and the cow whose udder is so heavy she is in daily pain. Horsebreeding has given us thoroughbreds so biologically inefficient that they need continual injections to stay healthy; the dog world has a record of producing creatures that carri breathe or see properly through their decorative flaps of skin, and golden retrievers that bite.

All this was done with ordinary

two-sex breeding methods. Add the possibility of cloning, cultivate a cavalier disregard for the tiny but significant faults introduced every time you blast the building-blocks of life with electric current or soak them in chemical baths, and you have a limitless range of possibilities for disaster — long before you ever get

near human cloning.

It is not animal welfare that bothers me most. Dolly will have a more comfortable life than her cousins who take their chances out on the fells with the fores. Early cloned animals will be well looked after,

simply because they WILL be 30 St ingly expensive. As the price comes down, and identical herds and flocks are commonplace, their lives will probably be no different from those of ordinary farm animals (which is to say that

if they are in the hands of a welfareminded farmer they will live decently and die humanely, and if they are in more intensive units God help them). Possibly — probably — being geneti-cally identical groups they will be more prone to disease, and not give the farmer the usual sporting chance that an epidemic will spare some resistant specimens. But even that is not the main problem.

hat looks at us out of the dark eyes of Dolly the lamb is a subtler, more sombre threat. Already, by modern breeding methods and the widespread use of artificial insemination, we have narrowed the sene pool of farm animals to an alarming degree. Admittedly, all farm stock are the product of patient centuries of deliberate breeding, but remember that until this century, a bull's or boar's range was limited to how far he or his day's mate could trot. Now a prize bull may have his sperm flown all round the world and produce ten thousand offspring in a year.

But at least they are all by different cows: this gives some chance to process of narrowing the species. Cloning will speed it up. The best animals will be more able to crowd

"So the fittest will survive?" you say. "So what?" You could argue eld-quently for taking the expensive un-certainties out of breeding, and ending the classic frustration of putting two fine animals together and producing a weedy one. You could promise guarameed herds of BSE-resistant cattle, medically useful sheep, fast racehorses and pigs which produce low-far bacon, If the demand is there. why not meet it without hesitation and let biodiversity go hang?

Because, quite simply, it is not for us to end evolution. The history of living creatures is a story of change and adaptation. Normal reproduction ensures that the genetic kaleidoscope is shaken every single time. Besides, the qualities which we value today may not be those the future ds. Alterdy some trithers day been compelled to turn to previously scorned rare breeds - preserved by enthusiasts — to freshen up inbred stock. Others have found that circumstances change: when the fashion for indoor tethered pigs began to give way to free range ones in fields, farm-ers sought out old-fashioned, hardy bloodlines that would flourish out in the cold. Needs constantly change; the very climate may be changing. There may be future diseases to which only some breed hitherto scorned as uneconcenic can supply the biological answer. Or it may be that the next level of excellence in some creature has yet to manifest itself and will turn up by accident. It has happened often enough.

If we do prefer the illusory control of cloning to the glorious gamble of life, we will be interfering with nature in a way far more arrogant and dang-erous than ever before. We do not know what is coming even to our own species. A modern parent might demand a lean baby with computer skills and an aptitude for figure-skating and GCSE, and so unwitting-ly betray some future, post-catalysmic generation which desperately needs stout hardy labourers to dig and carry water. Diversity, in all

living things, is our best hope. Never mind. I pin my faith on the well-known ability of sheep to frustrate their owners. I would like to think that Dolly will hop out of her pen in a few months' time, find a handsome low-bred Highland ram and teach us a bit of humility.

### It's now or never for Kohl

Anatole Kaletsky

says delay is fatal to monetary union

I fin doubt, why not procrastinate?

Monetary union is becoming a nightmare for every politician in Europe, including the only one who really matters — Heimut Kohl. So will Germany simply decide that it should be delayed? To delay may be tempting, but it is easier said than done.

Herr Kohl believes in "European construction" with a passion and sincerity that most people in Britain simply cannot understand. The innuendos in the German press about "the Jew" Malcolm Rifkind suggested one respectable, if bizarre, reason for Herr Kohl's passion. As another European statesman of Jewish extraction once remarked: "Kohl fears that somewhere in the heart of Germany still lurks a hint of the old madness. That's why he is so determined. When he says that Germany must be committed to Europe he means it in the sense of commitment to an asylum." Allowing for rhetorical overstatement, this seems a reasonable analysis of Herr Kohl's repeated admonitions that monetary union is "a matter of war or peace for

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Europe".

The trouble is that the Maastricht treaty — the legal instrument by which Germany was to be humanely committed to Europe — is failing in two important ways. It is obviously failing to provide a sensible blueprint for economic management in Europe — is supported to the conomic management in Europe — instrument in Europe — in Eur ope. Instead of carrying the European economies into monetary union on the crest of a wave of prosperity and social cohesion, the Maastricht conditions are pushing both Germany and France back into a dark age of mass unemployment. The treaty also seems to be failing in its other main objective. With Germany and France no longer certain to satisfy all the criteria, there is no watertight legal pretext for keeping Italy. Spain and other unstable countries out of the single currency zone in the first round.

S o what is to be done? Why not stick to the strict interpretation of the Maastricks of the Maastricht targets and forget about the treaty's timetable, which states that monetary union must go ahead in 1999? Superficially this looks a comfortable solution for all concerned. On closer inspection, however, it would satisfy no one and coald give Europe the worst of all possible worlds. Consider what Herr Koni announce that Germany would not go ahead with monetary union until all of the Maastricht conditions are fully satisfied. In Germany's case this would mean reducing the budget deficit to below 3 per cent of gross domestic product, from the likely level of 3.2 to 3.5 per cent in 1997.

If the Government stuck unrelentingly to its fiscal retrenchment and the economy grew reasonably well in the next two years, then there would be a reasonable chance of fulfilling the targets in 1998 and going ahead with the single currency by January 2000. But if these two conditions were satisfied, then there would be no problem in going ahead on the present timetable, in 1999. The treaty explicitly says that judgments should be made not only about actual deficits, but also about "planned deficits", and should consider whether any excess in the deficit is temporary and remains close to the

reference level [of 3 per cent]".

If the delay were announced at a time when the German economy was faltering, the deficit was overshooting and the Government was finding it impossible to push through spending cuts and higher taxes, financial mar-kets and German voters would expect an easing of fiscal policy and assume a weakening of the commitment to the Maastricht targets in the foreseeable future. And once the deadline for monetary union was pushed out beyond the year 2000, it would probably also run beyond the career expectations of Herr Kohl and the generation of monetary union enth-usiasts who now dominate German

Once the timetable set down in the Maastricht treaty and solemnly ratified by all Europe's national parliaments became a dead letter, and future timetables or promises would become worthless. Memories would be revived of the Werner Plan to create a single currency for Europe as early as 1970.

While such a collapse of confidence in the project might not matter much for Germany, it would provoke financial crises in Italy, Spain, Belgiam and probably France. The French would recall that their biggest negotiating triumph at Maastricht was winning Herr Kohl's agreement to the strict deadline of January 1999 - against the furious objections of his own Finance Ministry and the Bundesbank. Only in exchange for this deadline did France give in to the German demands for an independent European central bank. If the Germans abandoned the deadline. France would reopen every aspect of the deal. The single currency process would unravel, leaving Germans suspicious of Europe and Europe

hostile to Germany. In sum, to abandon the Maastricht deadline in conditions of economic adversity would be to abandon the whole project of monetary union. Helmut Kohl would do almost any-P·H·S thing to avoid such a decision; especially as the coda to his political career.

### Third leader

SUPPORT for the Referendum Party has been pledged by Third Way, the favourite bathtime reading of former National Front activists. The magazine, which is run by NF members who left because of ideological differences. swings foursquare behind Sir James Goldsmith's lot.

Third Way, which calls itself "the voice of the radical centre", is a nationalist and culturally separatist rag run by Patrick Harrington, formerly a big banana with the NF. Its latest issue has a cover picture of Goldsmith in ruminative pose, and an extended discussion of why Third Way bulldogs should vote Referendum.

"I believe that Sir James Goldsmith is a sincere man and many of his views are complementary to our own," says Harrington, who had to attend lectures on his own as a student at North London Polytechnic because his classmates found his extreme right-wing views so objectionable.

Harrington has not had any contact with the Referendum Party since the middle of last year, when he was told his request for an

interview with Goldsmith would be "sympathetically considered". "All the same," he says, "I am encouraging my supporters to vote for and support the party" - and its freephone number is printed on the back of the magazine. "We refuse to deal with Third Way,"



\*So vou want lower taxes better healthcare and a Spice Girl to drive you to the polling station"

says an ungrateful Referendum

No cushy merchant bank jobs or cosy peerage for the Chancellor, Kenneth Clarke, when his time in high office ends. In an interview on the Oxford University student radio Oxygen, Clarke accepts comparisons with that other left-leaning, loose-tongued Tory, Sir Edward Heath: "I expect to be in the House of Commons until Pm so old and doddery that I can't stay any longer," he says, or until my constituents sling me out."

### And farewell

STUFFED among the stilettoes and trouser-suits in the front row seats of Tomasz Starzewski's fashion show yesterday were the comedians Hale and Pace. Dressed in lurid purple sweatshirts and awkward suits, they are working as Starzewski's assistants for six months, while they make a documentary on fashion.

The countrier, who is the darling of such high society dames as Maya Flick, is confident that his charges' dress will improve under his care: "I have told them that black is best for the shows. I'll be assessing them in six months."



Hale and Pace, however, have much to learn about hemlines. When Starzewski's climactic work appeared - a fur-lined, hooded wedding dress - all Hale could say was that "it would make rather a good igloo."

### We pay you

MALCOLM RIFKIND'S recent fundraising party in Hong Kong may not have been worth the trouble. Aside from Labour referring the event to the Nolan Committee on Standards in Public Life. sources within the Hong Kong branch of Conservatives Abroad say that once they had paid for the suite at the shockingly expensive Mandarin Hotel, and cocktails and canapés appropriate to a Foreign Secretary's visit, the event ended up running a deficit.

Some hang-dog figures made their way from Earls Court to Westminster last night, as members of the Commons all-party music group left the Brit Awards early. The 13 Taries, led by Nigel Evans, MP for Ribble Valley, were hoping some improvised pairing could be arranged for the evening. No, said the Labour lot — so the whole party had to troop back, missing the climax of the show.

### Tight schedule

ADAM COOPER, one of the most promising pairs of tights at the Royal Ballet, is to leave. Cooper has recently been dancing the lead in Matthew Bourne's terrific allmale Swan Lake in the West End. Now that Bourne is taking the show to Los Angeles for eight weeks and possibly on to Broadway. Cooper wants to go with him. When he asked for leave from Covent Garden, however, they said no, so Cooper said goodbye. "It must have been a hard deci-

sion to leave the Royal Ballet to undertake the LA season with us," says Bourne. For Cooper, however. it may be for the best. He has been



Cooper: swanning off

tiring of the barre and has his heart set on an acting career. LA could be the perfect platform.

■ Robert Fox, the producer, is having trouble costing a London version of the Broadway hit Masterclass. I don't understand why, but we can't find an actor with all the right credentials: looks, acting ability, a great voice and who can hold up opposite Patti Lupone as Maria Callas."

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### SOUTHERN DISCOMFORT

Nato needs France to pull back from impossible demands

In 1966 General de Gaulle pulled France out of Nato's integrated military command and expelled the alliance's headquarters from the French capital; in doing so he set a pattern for Western defence which lasted almost 30 years. France maintained a proud, expensive and "independent" system of nuclear and conventional defence. The allies were forced to have France as a "free rider". effectively protected in case of attack but disconnected from the intimate military network which makes Nato tick.

A generation later, closing the gap between France and Nato remains a difficult problem. President Chirac made a brave and sweeping first move in December 1995 by announcing that France was re-entering several Nato bodies, would reintegrate completely if Nato became sufficiently "Europeanised" and was reshaping its armed forces for a new century and new post-Cold War threats. By then, the late President Mitterrand's dream of creating a European military alliance independent of America and based on the EU already lay battered beyond hope of recovery. But President Chirac went further than recognising reality; he acknowledged the legitimacy and centrality of Nato.

This strategy was hold and constructive. But its tactics were inept. American officers automatically hold Nato's supreme military command and the naval Atlantic and Mediterranean commands. A European holds the post of Deputy Supreme Commander and civilian Secretary-General. President Chirac foolishly insisted that Nato could not be considered "Europeanised" unless the Mediterranean command was turned over to a European. In wartime, the assets deployed by the Commander in Naples consist mostly of the US Sixth Fleet and American aircraft based in Italy. The American Administration, backed by Congress, has been wholly consistent in rejecting the French demand as unworkable. Schemes to rotate or split the command, however well meant, made no impact.

By the time of Madeleine Albright's fruitless meetings on this issue in Paris last week, matters had deteriorated in France. The political atmosphere has been soured by the approaching rendervous with the European single currency. The government is unpopular because of shrinking expenditures. Gaullists are frightened, quite rightly, that monetary union usurps the autonomy of the French State. The belated release of a Franco-German document promising talks between Paris and Bohn on the future of the French nuclear deterrent triggered a cascade of complaint; MPs of both Right and Left argued that Prance was making concessions everywhere and gain-

ing nothing in return. The Nato commands matter because retaining American engagement and re-engaging France are both vital. If Europe's nations are to develop any collective capacity to handle security emergencies beyond lastditch territorial defence, that capacity will have to be organised in the alliance. For that, the alliance must include France. American threats to develop a "European defence identity" inside Nato but without France are bluff. If President Chirac feels obliged to march French officers out of Nato, the informal co-operation which has underpinned deployment in Bosnia will be over.

Compromise must be found. Since the question of Nato's Southern Command is deadlocked, attention must switch to enhancing the powers of Nato's Deputy Supreme Commander, who has been promised command of any operation using purely European forces. If America means to help France to rejoin the alliance. Washington will have to show that a senior French officer can hold this job and that it will amount to real power and influence. If France sticks to its unattainable and unrealistic demand for the Southern Command, it will signal that the country's leaders are less serious than was previously believed about taking a full part in Europe's emerging defence network. That would be a bad blow on all fronts.

### FIND THE GAPS

The Lib Dems must bite the hands that will feed them

The Liberal Democrats have long been used: to serving niche markets. Their difficulty is that the niche keeps changing. It used to be between the two main parties, but as Labour has snuggled up to the Conservatives, the only space left is on the Left. Yesterday Malcolm Bruce, the party's Treasury spokesman, promised to raise the basic rate of income tax by lp, to set a new top rate of 50 per cent for incomes over £100,000, and to raise the starting threshold to take more people out of tax altogether. As a result, 30 per cent of adults would be worse off; 70 per cent would be better off or see no difference. Mr Bruce's gamble is that enough of the latter will be seduced by the promise of extra money for education.

It would help him if the money were not to be spread so thinly. This £2 billion a year would finance nursery education for all three and four-year-olds, smaller class sizes, more books and equipment, and schools "fit to teach in "That is some programme. Given how friendly the party's education spokesman, Don Foster, has become with the teachers, it would be odd if they did not demand some of the cash for themselves.

This is all theoretical, of course. Every five years or so, the Liberal Democrats have to go through the charade of pretending that they intend to form the next government. Much is unpredictable in politics, but one thing can be said for certain: the next Secretary of State for Education will not be Mr Foster. So the minutiae of Lib Dempolicy are academic. The question is: how many seats will they win at the next election, and will they become Labour's partner?

Their position in the national polls gives little cause for cheer: around 12 to 13 per cent, compared with the 18 per cent they won at the last general election. They have undoubtedly been squeezed by pressure from Tony Blair. New Labour's policies appear little different from those of the centre party of old, down to and including constitutional reform. The Lib Dems-now have to harry Labour like a terrier, accusing it of trampling on civil liberties, being overcautious on tax and spending, and becoming too Eurosceptical. Civil libertarians, taxand-spenders and enthusiasts for European integration may be in a minority: but they make up the niches that are now the least well served by the two big parties.

The good news for the "centre" party is that its chances of playing a part in government have rarely been higher. Mr Blair might well ask them to join him in a loose coalition even if he wins a full majority. But in order to join forces with Labour in government, the Lib Dems need first to make themselves distinctive enough to win seats. They have to criticise Labour to have a

chance of governing with it. The party's best chance still lies in the South West, But the danger for Paddy Ashdown is that anti-conservative voters, in their enthusiasm for Mr Blair, will forget to vote tactically. Then a split opposition could allow Conservatives to hold on to their seats even with a smaller share of the vote. This time, therefore, the Lib Dems will be tempted to encourage the Conservative taunt that "a vote for the Liberal Democrats is a vote for Labour".

### **NATURAL ALLIES**

The Israeli President's state visit is as welcome as overdue

President Weizman's arrival today on the first state visit ever paid to Britain by an Israeli leader is overrine recognition of the long association between the two countries. It was the Balfour Declaration of 1917 that Levish homeland. As the mandate authority, Britain was crucially, if bloodily, involved in the struggle for Israeli independence. Much early support, as well as several of the country's political leaders such as Abba Eban, came from Britain. And British influence in the Middle East has been vital in the many attempts, ultimately successful, to break the cycle of violence and establish a dialogue between Israel and its neighbours.

Yet for years relations at the highest level remained cool. There was lingering resentment at the terrorist violence that forced the British out of Palestine; on the Israeli side there was suspicion that the Foreign Office allowed a pro-Arab bias to colour its dealings in the Middle East. Israelis were hurt by the failure of any member of the Royal Family to pay a visit, despite numerous visits to Arab countries and reciprocal hospitality at Buckingham Palace. The acute tensions in the region not only made security a real concern; but they inhibited the spontaneous welcome essential to any successful state visit.

In the past four years, such inhibitions have been melted by Israel's courageous embrace of the peace process. The arms embargo, imposed in 1982, was lifted in 1994.

when Malcolm Rifkind paid the first visit to Israel by a Defence Secretary. Britain became an eager participant in the training of Palestinians that was needed to sustain the Oslo agreements. The Duke of Edinburgh paid a visit to Jerusalem for the ceremony honouring his mother's protection of Jews during the Second World War.

President Weizman, therefore, is coming at a time when relations are at last warm and close. For several months after the election of Binyamin Netanyahu doubts resurfaced over Israel's commitment to the Oslo accords. But since the Hebron agreement these have largely been allayed; Mr Netanyahu was in Amman at the weekend on the kind of visit that has become routine. Indeed, President Weizman himself has played an important part in keeping the peace process on track, inviting Yassir Arafat to visit him at a time when relations between the Palestinians and the Netanyahu Government had all but broken down.

The state visit will be filled with symbols. Mr Weizman's visit to Cranwell will recall his days as a fighter pilot with the RAF. He will also join in unveiling a statue to Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who rescued 100,000 Hungarian Jews in the closing days of the war. Wallenberg had little direct connection with Britain; but the Queen and the Israeli President have the full support of both countries in honouring a man who gave his life for the cause of common humanity.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### Scale of awards against police

From Mr Louis Schaffer

Sir, It is somewhat ironical that, in the same week that the Court of Appeal (Civil Division) curbs the level of exemplary damages to be awarded in actions involving police misconduct (Thompson v Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis", reports, February 20), there commenced in the Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) the appeal of three men deprived of their liberty for 18 years as the result of deliberate fabrication of evidence by the police.

Lord Woolf ruled that the absolute maximum ever to be awarded for exemplary damages, which are puni-tive, should be £50,000 and then only if an officer of the rank of superintendent or above was directly in-

My doubts on the reasonableness of that ruling were confirmed on the following day by reading of the Bridgewater case. By the Master of the Rolls's ruling this case would merit only £25,000 exemplary damages. since no superintendent was involved. With the greatest respect to Lord Woolf, whom I greatly admire, I believe that his rationale - that it is a windfall for the person wronged and that it would result in funds not being available to be spent by the police in ways to benefit the public — is misguided and sends the wrong message. I doubt whether the Hickey cousins and Jimmy Robinson or, indeed, anyone who has read their case would, in fairness, characterise such an award as a windfall.

In any case involving criminal acts by the police, all the officers can be prosecuted in the criminal courts for perverting justice and their chief officers sued in the civil courts for malicious prosecution.

Criminal prosecutions have proved ineffective. Officers are rarely convicted and the only real sanction is the curtailment of funds, so as to persuade chief officers not to allow a culture of tolerance of police misbehaviour to continue. The Commissioner should, in the Thompson case, have been sent away with a flea in his ear and told it was up to him to set his house in order.

So long as police chiefs defend cases where their officers have misbehaved. and not only are the officers not punished but there is no subsequent apology or recognition by their chiefs of their misbehaviour, then — unless there is some swingeing financial comeback on those running the police - I am afraid that the exhortation in your leader column today that the Bridgewater miscarriage should never be allowed to happen again will not be achieved.

Yours sincerely. LOUIS SCHAFFER, 10 King's Bench Walk, Temple, EC4. February 22.

### Animal traps

From the Acting High Commissioner for Canada

Sir, The full-page advertisement in your issue of February 10, paid for by a number of organisations concerne with animal welfare and attacking the proposal by the European Commission to accept the Agreement on Humane Trapping Standards, should not mislead your readers.

Simply banning all types of leghold tracs, which the advertisement advocates, is an arbitrary and ill-considered response to legitimate animal welfare concerns. Rather than focussing on these traps, it has always been Canada's position that the real solution is to establish international standards on humane trapping that cover all situations where wild animals are

The agreement, initialled in December 1996, between Canada, Russia and the European Commission provides that opportunity. For the first time, there is a practical international framework within which real improvements in the welfare of trapped animals could be achieved. Such an agreement would require the banning of all traps that do not meet the agreed scientific standards, including conventional steel jawed leghold restraining traps and other legholding

An agreement of this kind would be a significant step forward for animal welfare. Rejection of it would be a missed opportunity to improve trapping practices, both internationally and in

Yours sincerely. TOM MacDONALD. Canadian High Commission, Macdonald House, l Grosvenor Square. WI February 18.

### Comprehensive cover From Mr Wolfram Waldner

Sir, Clause 29 of the terms and conditions of The Times Lufthansa flight offer (February 22) excludes liability for failure to comply in the event of weather conditions, fire, flood, strike, burricane, industrial dispute, war, hostil-ities, political unrest, riot, civil commotion, inevitable aeridants, acts of God . . .

it seems to me that there is very litthe room for the Almighty left in this catalogue of mishaps.

Yours sincerely, WOLFRAM WALDNER 20 Grove Street. Learnington Spa, Warwickshire. Pebruary 22

### 'Majorite rigidity' on devolution

From Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, OM

Sir, I agree with those who say that in his speech last Thursday, Mr Blair did not answer the West Lothian question (letters, February 15, 21). This is not surprising for it is fundamentally unanswerable. Mr Daiyell shot a powerful arrow in the 1970s.

The point was equally unanswer-able in relation to Irish Home Rule. In 1885 Gladstone first proposed that the analogous question should be responded to by retaining Irish members at Westminster for imperial purposes only". Then, when the 1886 Bill came to be drafted, he was persuaded, mainly by Cabinet colleagues, that they ought to be out. By May of that year he was again persuaded that they ought to be in, and announced his wilngness to amend the Bill accord-

Joseph Chamberlain, the Bill's decisive opponent, moved in precisely the opposite direction. In January he thought the worst possible solution was a parliament in Dublin and Irish members at Westminster. By June he made their exclusion from the imperial parliament his major argument

against the Bill. The 1893 Bill, on the other hand, began with the proposed retention of 80 Irish members at Westminster, but with them excluded from voting on purely English or Scottish questions. The frontier however proved indefensible because not satisfactorily de-finable, and was abandoned (in fayour of giving them full rights) at the

There are therefore very respectable precedents - indeed the two successive most dominating parliamentarians of a classic quarter century in the history of the House of Commons for perplexity on the issue.

This is far from saying that the intricacies of the West Lothian ques-tion provide an adequate excuse for immobilism towards the wishes of the non-English components of the British Isles. Can anyone now doubt that with the defeat of Gladstone's home rule Bills there perished the last hope of Anglo-Irish reconciliation within a

British polity? I do not know whether, had one of these Bills gone through, a loose union would have held. Already it had 200 years of history against it. But I am certain that with their defeat the opposite became inevitable, and has brought in its train much danger and

The Anglo-Scottish union has been great deal more securely anchored. But I am for the first time persuaded that, if a Conservative government were to be returned and were to maintain an attitude of uncomprehending negativism towards Scotland, and were at the same time to move further to a little-England chauvinism towards Europe, the 1707 union would be in danger.

The pull of the great success of Ireland in Europe should not be underestimated. It is not merely material (although on some counts the Irish national income per head is already above the British, a concept inconceivable a couple of decades ago), but psychologically and nationally liberating in the context of Ireland's popularity and consequent influence, beyond its natural weight in Euronean counsels.

I consequently believe that if Majorite rigidity were to persist there is a real danger of Scottish independence within ten years, an outcome which I would regard as a grave misfortune for those on both sides of the border. Compared with this the West Lo-

thian question, neatly unanswerable although it is, falls into insignificance, The awkwardness would have had to be accepted if Irish home rule had saved the entity of the British Isles. It has been accepted by successive Conservative governments for Northern Ireland. It had better be accepted for Scotland (perhaps with some reduction in the number of Scottish seats at Westminster) if 290 years of mutually beneficial union is not to be put at grave risk.

Yours faithfully, ROY JENKINS. House of Lords. February 24.

### Sex Offenders Bill

From the Director of Liberty

Sir, You reported on February 20 that the number of people to be placed on the sex offenders register by the proposed Sex Offenders Bill threatens its viability. Liberty has been concerned for a considerable time that the register will be unworkable. Blanket registration of sex offenders will mean that the police will not be able to effectively exercise control, and it should be noted than no extra resources are being made available. Additionally, the current proposals will include some consensual gay offences and other individuals who pose no risk to children.

Surely the answer to the problem is the one proposed some time ago by Liberty in its response to this Bill that automatic inclusion on the register should be dropped. Instead we propose that, at the time of sentencing, the judge should decide whether or not offenders are a risk to children and only if they are should they be put on the register. The judge will know the details of the facts of the case as well as the previous convictions of the offender and is in the best position to make this assessment.

In sentencing sex offenders the judge will have psychiatric and other reports which would help with this assessment and could also decide at the same time how long the offender should be on the register.

Such a mechanism would not only protect those who are no risk to children from being on the register but also ensure that precious police resources are targeted towards those who are most dangerous.

Yours faithfully, JOHN WADHAM. Director, Liberty. 21 Tabard Street, SEI February 20.

### Dickens statue

From Mrs Sara Lane

Sir, Professor Tony Pointon, chair-man of the Charles Dickens fan club at Portsmouth University, appears to think that because the other wishes Dickens expressed in his will have already been denied him, this enables his admirers to contravene yet another firmly-expressed wish by erecting a statue in Portsmouth, where the author was born in 1812 and which he left as a toddler in 1814 (report, Febmary 18).

But two wrongs do not make a right. The International Dickens Rellowship and the Dickens Fellowship, as well as Professor Pointon, all suggest that Dickens wanted his expressed wishes to be disregarded. But what grounds do they have for this?

Is it not more probable that Dickens (like other people who make wills) meant exactly what he said in his? As well as disliking humbug and hypocrisy. Dickens had something of a distaste for images and, since the secretary of the Dickens Fellowship invokes Martin Chuzzlevit, is it not

worth noting that Dickens's illustrator Phiz consistently depicts Pecksniff surrounded by busts and portraits of

Yours faithfully. SARA LANE. 6 Montagu Square, WI. February 19.

From Mr C. C. Dickens

Sir. As a great-great-grandson, who can claim to be head of the Dickens family in the direct line, I am concerned about the proposed statue. Charles Dickens specifically wrote in his will: "on no account make me the subject of any monument, memorial or testimonial whatever."

The International Dickens Fellowship is well admired and old-established but I feel it should adhere to Charles Dickens's expressed wishes and oppose Portsmouth's decision.

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER CHARLES The Old Rectory, Spofforth, Harrogate, North Yorkshire. February 19.

### Women in Church

From Mr David Gedge

Sir, The Reverend M. E. Percival (letter, February 19) asks how many men have been appointed minor canons six months after their ordination as priest. Here at Brecon Cathedral it has long been customary for deacons to be appointed minor canons, a year before their ordination to the priestbood. Some seem to think that a minor

canonty is a senior position but, at least here in Wales, a minor canon is often no more than a curate attached to a cathedral.

Yours faithfully, DAVID GEDGE (Organist, Brecon Cathedral). Garth Cottage, 29 Pendre, Brecon, Powys. February 19.

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### Surname usage

From Mr Bruce Andrews Sir, The subtleties of personal nomen-

clature prevailed in business as well as academia (letter, February 22). When my father was a junior manager in the 1930s he was addressed by the company's chairman and majority shareholder as Andrews. When he became a senior manager the chairman called him Mr

On his advancement to managing director in the late 1940s he was called Andrews once more, a form the chairman used for friends as well as ser-

vants and junior employees. When my father became chairman, the ex-chairman - his shareholding

reduced - called him Jack, a form he used for a few chosen equals. My father relished these changes as milestones in his advancement.

Yours faithfully. BRUCE ANDREWS, 4 Watford Close, Cranley Road, Guildford, Surrey. February 23.

### Call for debate on plight of elderly

From Rabbi Julia Neuberger

Sir, The challenge to the political parties from the chairman of the Coninuing Care Conference and others (letter, February 19), asking for attention to be given to continuing care, came as welcome reading to those, like myself, who have seen how fear of the future blights the present lives of many elderly, and not so elderly,

Whilst many people in their thirties and forties expect to have to pay their way by saving now for insurance for long-term care later on, that cannot be the case for older people, who used to believe that the NHS would look after

them from the cradle to the grave. The London NHS trust which chair provides many services for elderly people at home and various forms of in-patient care. So do others. But long-term care is largely no long-er provided within the NHS and does not come free at the point of use: a change which has happened gradual-ly and to which politicians have not wanted to draw attention because of

the cost implications. This is clearly a time for asking politicians what they intend to do and for holding cross-party and non-partisan discussions about the way forward. It may be one of the many pressing social issues that citizens' juries could be asked to address, as well as a royal

commission. it may also be something that community groups of all kinds have views about. A national discussion of our obligations to the elderly and the standards of care which they should expect is long overdue.

Yours sincerely. JULIA NEUBERGER, 28 Regent's Park Road, NWI. February 20.

From Mr John Papworth

Sir. Oh dear, here is another group of well-intentioned people calling for yet another national programme based on government funding.

Please tell them that the care of aged persons (I am one myself) is an emphatically local community and neighbourhood concern and that we forfeit our dignity, our independence, our self-esteem and ultimately our freedom to be responsible citizens if we adopt a cast of mind which assumes we must constantly call on the Government to spoon-feed us in regard to problems we are fully able to resolve for ourselves.

With respect, JOHN PAPWORTH (Editor). Fourth World Review. 24 Abercorn Place, NWS.

February 19.

From Mr John Raybould Sir. The sub-heading on Joe Joseph's piece (February 13) is quite correct: age should not be measured in years"; and he is right that "history is chock-full of people . . . who often only began making any noise at all after their peers were drawing pensions". However, with millions of people like me being made redundant in their fifties or taking voluntary (or in-

voluntary) early retirement, are we not in great danger of losing the very innovative and creative talents that Joe Joseph (and the facts) tell us last well beyond normal retirement age?

Can we really afford as a nation to neglect a whole generation of human Yours, not over the hill yet.

JOHN RAYBOULD, 3 Chestnut Court, High Street, Newport, Saffron Walden, Essex.

### Seasonal variations

From Mr John Taylor

Sir, Some years ago American Airlines gave this notice to their pas-

The Varican has granted special dispensa tion to Roman Catholics on American Airlines from the obligation of abstinence on all Fridays and other days of abstinence. On future flights, should you prefer sea-food, please make this known at the time of making your reservation. We will be glad to accommodate you.

Perhaps British Airways could ask for a similar dispensation (letters, February 17, 24) if there was any doubt about serving alcohol during

Yours faithfully JOHN TAYLOR. Castell Gyrn. Llanbedr, Ruthin, Clwyd.

### Stops and starts

From Prebendary Dr Chad Varah

Sir, Mr Tom Courtenay (letter, February 22) confuses two different uses of the word "train". In itself, it is a locomotive with a number of carriages or wagons in "train". Operationally it means, eg, the 14:48 from Paddington to Oxford.

On arrival, this particular use of the train terminates. It soon becomes a different train, or the collection of coaches or wagons may be shuffled.

The train in its existential sense will terminate only when the locomotive and all its "train" have gone severally to the scrapyard; in about 100 years, on past form.

Yours etc. CHAD VARAH (Rector). St Stephen Walbrook. 39 Walbrook, EC4. February 23.





### COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE: February 24: The Duke of Edinburgh this evening attended the Alzheimer's Research Trust Dinner at Drapers' Hall, Throgmorton Avenue, London

Pebruary 24: The Duke of York.
Patron, this evening attended a Gala
Performance by the Contemporary
Dance Trust at the Place, Duke's
Road, London WCI.

His Royal Highness later attended
a Dinner given by the Contemporary
Dance Trust at the Bloomsbury
Trusthouse Forte Hotel, London
WCI.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 24: The Princess Royal this afternoon visited the British Equa-trian Trade Association International Trade Pair at the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham, and was re-ceived by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of West Midlands (Mr

Robert Taylor).

Her Royal Highness this evening attended a Dinner with the Honour-able Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms at

February 24: The Prince of Wales this morning arrived in Bahrain on board HMY Britannia and was received at

The Crown Prince. His Royal Highness later visited the Headquarters of the Council of Ministers and was received by The Amir of the State of Bahrain.

The Prince of Wales afterwards opened the British Design Excellence Exhibition at Le Royal Meridien Hotel and met representatives of the

His Royal Highness this afternoon His Royal Highness russ amenous attended a Luncheon given by The Crown Prince at Al-Safriyah.

The Prince of Wales later visited Beit Al-Quran Islamic Museum and met delegates attending a British Council seminar on the preservation of care manuscripts.

of rare manuscripts.

His Royal Highness this evening attended a dinner given by The Amur of the State of Bahrain at the Shaikh Hanned Palace.

### Today's royal engagement

The Princess Royal, as President of the British Knitting and Clothing Export Council, will visit Angela Stone Design. 257 New Kings Road, SW6, at 3.30.

### **Lord Bancroft**

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Lord Bancroft will take place in St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey, at moon on Monday, March 24, 1997. All are welcome, and those wishing to attend are requested so apply, as soon as possible, for tickets to: The Rector's Secretary. Room 24. I Little Claister, West-minster Abbey, SWIP 3PL, enclos-ing a stamped addressed envelope.

### Luncheons

Insurance Institute of Landon The Lord Mayor, accompanied by Mr Alderman and Sheriff Clive Martin, was the guest of honour at a luncheon given by the Insurance Institute of London yesterday at Mansion House. Mr Thoma Brown, president, was in the chair. Mr Anthony Nelson, Minister for Trade, was the principal speaker. HM Gerenment

Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Minister of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, was the host at a dinner given by Her Majesty's Government yesterday at the House of Commons in honour of Mr Ljubomir Frekovski, Foreign Minister of the Former Yugoslav

### Birthdays today

Miss Edic Brooks, singer, S. Mr Tom Courtenay, actor, 60: Lord Crickhowell, 63: Sir Antony Duff, diplomar, 77: Sir Alex Gordon. Parliaments, 63: Marshal of the RAF Sir Keith Williamson, 69.

The following Music Awards have

### Miss Jane Ackroyd, sculptor, 40:

architect, 80; Mr George Harrison, musician, 54; Mr Edward Kellettmisician, 54; Mr Edward Relief-Bowman, MEP, 66; Mr Anthony Lloyd, MP, 47; Dr Harvey McGregor, QC, former Warden, New College, Oxford, 71; Mr Hector MacKenzie, trade unionist, 57; Dr Lewis Moonie, MP, 50; Mr Robert Moone, MP, 50; Mr Robert Neame, brewer, 63; Major-General Sir Laurence New, 65: Sir Roger Parker, former Lord Justice of Appeal, 74; Mr George Paul, chairman, Norwich Union Insurance Group, 57; Sir David Puttnam, film producer, 5r; Miss Alison Roberts, fashion designer, 34; Lord Sempill, 48; Lieutenant-Colonel J.R. Stephenson, former secretary, MCC, 66; Professor Sir Stewart Sutherland, Francisco and Vice-Chancellor, Edinburgh University, 56; Mr A.C.F. Verity, former Master, Dulwich College, 58; Sir Ian Wallace, company chair-man, 8l; Dr G.B. Warren, blochemist, 49: Sir Michael Wheeler-Booth, former Clerk of the

Shrewsbury School

been made for 1997: heren made for 1997;
here harships at John's Colling School,
Cambridge; S.C. Jarvis, The Cathedral,
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The Abbey School, Tewkerbury; E.D.
Ling, Orwell Park School, Ipswich;
G.M. Waller, Ardweck, Crieff,
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H.W. Faith, Bramcots School,
Scarborough; A.J. Moss, Terra Nova,
Holloes Chapel; C.S. Liqyd, Abberley
Hall, Worselff.



A pinchbeck tiara in the Empire taste, set with green and white pastes, a Neo-Egyptian gold tiara (right) and a gold tiara set with rose cut diamonds in silver settings (below) will star at the exhibition

TIARAS worn by the Princess of Wales on her wedding day and by Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother and the Princess Royal will be among the glittering attractions at One Hundred Tiarus, an exhibi-tion to be staged by Wartski, the Queen's jeweller, next

Other examples belonging to nobility and film and stage stars will provide a link to glamorous figures from the past two centuries. The exhibition, which has taken two years to organise, comes at a time when tiaras are again enjoying a revival outside Among four tiaras lent by

Earl Spencer is the Spencer Tlara which is worn by brides

Alithcheur's Resourch Trest

The Duke of Edinburgh was a speaker at a reception and dinner given by the Alzheimer's Research

Trust last night at Drapers' Hall. The Countess of Onslow, president, was in the chair. Dr Sarah-

Jane Richards, vice-chairman, and

Dr Thomas Stuttaford also spoke.

The Lord Mayor, accompanied by

the Sheriffs, was the principal guest and a speaker at a dinner of

the Company of Watermen and Lightermen of the River Thames held last night at Pishmonners'

Company of Watermen and

Dinners

### Tiaras boom today

in his family, a tradition his sister maintained when she married the Prince of Wales. It is made from 18th-century diamonds set in an early 19th century frame. It will be displayed with the tiara given to the Queen Mother by her father the Earl of Strathmore shortly before her wedding, and which weaves diamonds

There will be entravagen exhibits from the French crown jewels and a tiara that Queen Victoria is seen wearing, aged 21, in a portrait by

Hall, Captain Sir Malcoim Edge, Master, assisted by Mr J. C. Jenkinson, Senior Warden, and

Mr J. G. Johnson and Mr L.G. Barrow, Junior Wardens, pre-

of the Port of London Authority

and Mr Johnson, also spoke.

Partiers' Company Mr Thomas Barlier, Master of the

Farriers' Company, and Mr How-ard Cooper, Chairman of the Farriers Registration Council, pre-

sided. Sir Brian Shaw, Chairs

Among others present were: Among others present were:
The Prime Warring of the Frammonger's
Company, the Right Roy M Marshall,
Mr Alderman P M Stream, Mr.
Alderman R Nichols, Mr N B Jaynes,
Mr D C Randelli and Mr W R Pope.

into a wild roses design.

Winterhalter in which she set a fashion by curling it up and wearing it on the back of her

Geoffrey Munn of Wartski said that the current revival of tiaras was appropriate as it was a misapprehension that historically they were worn only by the nobility. In the 19th and early 20th century tisras did not imply nobility. From 1800 to 1940, at any white-tie dinner, women would have been expected to wear tiaras," he said. "Our society now is much more

Associateship Certificate to Mr Seeven Rust and the company's

diploma and the council's Regi

tradon Certificates to candidates of the School of Partiery, Hereford-shire College of Technology. Mr

Fraser Youngson was presented

with the Oliver Award for gaining

the diploma with honours. The Chairman of the Farriers Registra-

tion Council also spoke.

A church service was held

earlier at the Priory Church of St Bartholomew-the-Great attended by candidates, approved training farriers, their families and friends.

level than it was. People in the 20th century are terrified of estentation and are hesitant to wear jewellery." The actress. Joanna

Lumley has lent a number of her tiaras, including one orig-inally owned by Ellen Terry which will be seen alongside flamboyant pieces sported by Dame Edna Everage and Elton John. But less opulent designs are now increasingly lar as fashion acces ries, Mr Munn says, "They do seem to be back again among the pale beautiful girls of paper thinness."

One Hundred Tiarus, An Evolution of Style 1800-1990 will be at Wartski, 14 Grafton Street, London Wl, from March 5 to 19. Ham-5pm. Emirance 65.

### Latest wills

held yesterday in the Great Hall in. St Bartholomew's Hospital, The Master presented the company's Brigadier Robert Bramston The sign Daniell, RA rest, of Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, left estate valued at £4,598,775 net. Lady Coleman, of Codford St Mary, Warminster, Wiltzhire, left estate valued at £103,331 net.

Lieutenant-Commander Nigel De-nis Royds, of Floet, Aldershot, Hampshire, left estate valued at FAOI.676 per Dennis Harold Flouveburck, of Shrewsbury, Shropshire, left es-ture valued at £1,954,259 net.

Byelyn Lynn, of Houghton Le Spring, Tyrie and Wear, left estate valued at \$1,556,705 net.

### **Forthcoming** marriages

and Miss A.L.V. Turnbull The engagement is announced between Richard, eldest son of Mr The engagement is announced between Dominick, son of Sir Derick and Lady Ashe, of Hurstbourne Tarrant, Hamp shire, and Amanda, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Turnbull, of Thurleston, Leitestershire.

Mr P.E. Ben and Miss C.E. Woodrow

The engagement is announced between Philip, fourth and final and of Mr R.H. Bunn. of Reignte and Thurlestone, and Mrs M.A. Zenthon, of Renley, Survey, and Charlotte, younger daughter of Mrs L. Woodrow, of Sanderstead,

Mr D.R. Callow mi Min C.L. Ker The engagement is announced between Dan, son of Mrs J.A. Taylor, of Yorkshire, and Mr D.G. Callow, of Derbyshire, and Clare, only daughter of Mrs L.A. Ker, of Douglas, Isle of Man, and Mr D.W. Ker, of Wiltshire.

Mr A.J. Dale and Miss R.C. Heybenok and MASS RAL Heyotabe.
The engagement is announced between Alexander, elder son of the late Mr James Date and of Mrs James Dugdale, of Membury.
Devon, and Rose, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs. Michael Matthewale and Mrs. Michael Mrs. Michael

Heybrook, of Chearsley. Mr T.P. Handrastle and Min R.C. White

The engagement is announced between Thomas, eldest son of Mr and Mrs P. Hardcastle, of Dunshid, Surrey, and Rachel, only daughter of Mr and Mrs William White, of Poynton,

Mr AL McBe and Miss C.P. Gausberger The engagement is announced between Angus Iames, only son of Mr and Mrs Dale McBean, of: Sydney, Australia, and Carolyn-Pia, eder daughter of Mr and Mrs. Joseph Gansberger, of Vienna, Austria.

Mr R.J. Oldfield and Miss A.K. de Moubray The engagement is announced between Richard, son of the late Mr Christopher Oldfield and of Mrs Brien Rord, of Doddington. Place, Sittingbourne, Kent, and Amicia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Guy de Moubray, of Budow. Manor, Sarmundham, Sutfolk

The engagement is announced between Calum, elder son of Mr between Calum, eiger son of Mr and Mrs Barrie Taylor, of South Creake, Norfolk, and Katherine, eider daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Brown, of Peasemore, Mr R.C. Van Loan and Miss M.J. Swales

and Miss J.M. Hart

Mr I.D. McKinnon

and Miss J.M. Martin

Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

Mr M.H. Talbot and Miss S. Laible

Mr C.B.D. Taylor and Miss K.E. Brown

and Mrs David Kirk, of Bessacarr.

Doocaster, and Jennifer, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs Peter

Hart, of Bawtry, South Yorkshire.

The engagement is announced between Jan, son of Mr and Mrs

Charles McKinnon, of Llandysul,

Wales, and Jessica, daughter of Mr and Mrs Selby Martin, of

The engagement is announced between Martin, son of the late Mr H.D. Talbot and of Mrs Noreen

Talbot, of High Wycombe, and Sylvia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Karl Laible, of Neckartenzlingen,

The engagement is announced between Roland Christian, only son of the late Mr Roland Van Loan and of Mrs Adrienne Van Loan, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA, and Melissa Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Terence Swales, of St Ewe, Cornwall. Mr C.E. Wrigley and Miss K.A. Denman-John

and Mass K.A. Denman-Johnson
The engagement is announced
between Christopher, only son of
Mr and Mrs Nigel Wrigley, of
Blackburn, Lancashire, and
Katherine, eldest daughter of Dr
and Mrs Mark Denman-Johnson,
of Lower Knighton, Isle of Wight.

### Marriage

Mr.T. Borkowy and the Hou Laura Mackende Stuart The marriage took place on Feb-ruary 15, 1997, at St John's Church, Princes Street, Edinburgh, between Mr Tomek Borkowy, son of Or Borkowy, of Warsaw, and the late Mrs Borkowy, and the Hon Laura Mackemie Stuart, daughter of Lord and Lady Mackemie-Stuart, of Edinburgh, Canon Nev-lle Chamberlain officiated.

### Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Pierse Renoir, Impressionist painter, Limioges, France, 1841; Enrico Caruso, tenos, Naples, 1873; John Foster Dulles, American statesman, Washington DC, 1888; Dame Myra Hess, pianist, London, 1890.

DEATHS: Robert Deversus, 2nd Earl of Essex, soldier and counter. executed in London, 1601; Albrecht von Wallenstein, soldier and statesman, assessinated in Serr. Germany, 1634; Sir Christopher Wren, architect. London, 1723; Paul Julius von Reuter, founder of

the news agency, Nice, 1899; Sir John Termiel, illustrator and ist, London, 1914; Tenee Williams, playwright, New York, 1983. Queen Elizabeth I was excommu-

nicated by Pope Plus V, 1570. Paper ciarrency, known as "green-backs", was introduced in the United States by President Abra-ham Lincoln, 1862. Andrew Johnson, 17th American President 1865-09, was impeached (acquitted in May), 1868. The first Anderson bomb shelter to be built in Brittin was erected in

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BIRTHS Millions - On 20th February is Alison (nos Garwood) and Andrew, a son Harry.

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non Marthew Panes.
OCCUPY. - On February 10th at
The Fortland Hospital, to
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a beautiful daughter Buth:
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nister.

Amands - David a sale; mister.
DESTRUCTS - On February 19th, at The Fortland Hospital, to Sylviane and Frank, a son, Ricolas, a bottler for Lenn and Dame. WANS - On February 18th, to Timothy and Amenda (née Wells), a son, Gabriel, great-prendron to Diana Sectatord.

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Add. - On February 17th at
The Fortland Hospital, to
Harriett (née jagger) and
Simon, a son Orlando, a
Semine for Hamilton and
India.

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GERARH - On Pebruary 17th
1997 at The Fortland
1997 at The Fortland
Hospital, to Jeanne (née
Enyner) and Lloyd, a
beautiful daughter Casey
Frama.
HOMMARD - On February 20th
to Elizabeth and Fhilip, a
daughter, Alexandra jame
Elizabeth, a slater for
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NOWE - On Thursday 20th February 1997, to Mary Jone (non Russell) and Martines, a designate. Like Mary Jone (Nosch100) - On February 4th at Ann Arbor, Michigan to John and Kary (noe Owen) a beautiful designate Christian Allen in the Annual Christian Annual Christian Allen in the Annual Christian

Alles - On February 20th at The Fortland Hospital, to Cavaline (née Recors) and Richoles, a daughter Ellis Cance.

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HOSTH - on 17th February 1997 to Lindsey (note Panes) and Christopher, a son Taema William, bother for Sophie and Long. The Forland Hospital to Simone (use Brych) and Alex, a beautiful son, Contribut.

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Clovis, a knother for George.

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18th at The Portland.

Hospital, to Lisa and Michael, a beautiful daughter Lucina, a sister for Juliana.

Juliana. Sause - On February 12th 1997 to Terasa (née Bushnell) and Richard, a daughter Rosanna Blisabeth Sophie, a sister for

BIRTHS 1997, to Eliza and Ambres, a VASWAM - On February 16th at The Fortland Hospital, Denn (née Marabal) and happy a bountful despirar Na.

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Roses, a brother for Michael
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WILLIAMS - On the 20th February to Sussmanh (nos Langford-Holt) and James, a Ells Ross, a sister for Late.

DEATHS

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1997, Alistair William McKenzie. Much loved Austund of Jenny, Searly level father and gandfather. Committee and gandfather. Committee and gandfather. Committee and 28th Fabruary at 300 pm., All emphisis to Abuston & Son, 22th (0171) 405-4901.

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SUMMETT - Dooler issues Stark Greig M.D., D.F.E. On Saturday 22nd February 1997 poscerally aged 93 years, Density loved breakend of the late joyen, beloved father of Barkaran. Density loved grandfather of Timothy, Hugh and Clotre, great grandfather of Alterander. Funeral Service and cumming as Frances Cresstoctum on Wednesday Met. Polyman at 2.30 year. Enquiries please to: L. Streat & Son. Religs Street, Garetang. Tel: 01996 602316.

EVARS - Malcoim, passed away on Pebruary 23rd, 1997 aged 54 in hospital in Rome after a long strongle against cancer, always coursesomly home. Seleved aushand of Carls and historic Manghenta and for the last 13 years Secretary-General of the Institution of Private Law (Unideoit), Francia Brevious of Manghenta and Carls for the Unideoity, Francia Brevious of Manghenta (Unideoity, Francia Brevious of Manghenta (Unideoity), Francia B

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DAVEY - Cvinnile Margaret (ade Widdrington) of House, Suffolt, peacefully on 23rd February 1997, Widow of the Ew. Dr. S.H. Desey and much loved mother and grandmother. Enquiries to Enthams (01379) 642321.

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FOSTER - John Douglast of Bronsgrove on 22nd Fabruary after a short illness aged 79. Strictly private Gremation. He flowers. Service of Taxatagiving at St. John's Parket Church, Bronsgrove at 11am on Thursky 29th March, Any dougloss to the British East Fundation of L.J.S. Foster Vinards 42 Johnson Louden Will 4B.

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GOSLESS - Henry Miles on Polycary Z3rd aged 69. Very posterially at beans after a long Blaces which was boxes with termendous counge. Much loved bushead, father and grandfather. He will be greatly missed. Private family funeral. Memorial lanters as he immersed.

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NOUTREES - Revenued Michael Richael Hollings, MC MRR, MA on 21st February 1997, posterfully after a long librory Francial More on Friday 28th February at Marian Calebrast Cardinal C.R. Bann, OSA Vigil More on Thumsday 27th February at St. Marry of the Angels, howen.

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### **OBITUARIES**

### **EMILY HAHN**

Emily Hahn, American writer and adventurer, died on February 18 aged 92. She was born on January 14, 1905.

n the depths of the Great Depression. Emily Hahm left a \$25a-week teaching job in New York to run off to the Belgian Congo in search of adventure. A concerned male colleague cautioned her to be careful-Africa was no place for a woman.

I still don't know what he meant.

Hahn told an interviewer many years later. "Careful" was never part of her vocabulary; given a choice, she always chose the uncertain path. Hahn, who for many years lived

partly in Britain with her husband, the historian Charles R. Boxer, was an adventurer, a feminist, the author of more than fifty books, and a prolific and longstanding contributor to The New Yorker magazine. She came to prominence in the 1940s through her writings about China. She had bestsellers on both sides of the Atlantic with The Soong Sisters (1941), a biography of the Middle Kingdom's first family of the pre-revolutionary era, and China to Me (1944), a candid and irreverent memoir which chronicled Hahn's freewheeling wartime adventures in the Far East.

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Hahn wrote in an extraordinary variety of genres: biography, history, humour, women's issues, travel, cooking, children's literature, fiction and natural history. Her refusal to be pigeonholed may help to explain why, apart from the success of her China books, she never found the mass

audience she deserved.

If she was bitter about this, it was never apparent, though she sometimes recalled something her friend and mentor Rebecca West once told her: "If you and I had been born male and had written what we've written, we'd be a lot better-known."

Although Hahn's informal, personalised literary style was distinctly hers, it was also the quintessential New Yorker voice. During her 68-year career as a contributor, she was one of a handful of writers who worked for all four editors of the magazine - Harold Ross, William Shawn, Robert Gottlieb and Tina Brown.

Emily Hahn never wanted to be a writer. She was born into a Jewish-German family in St Louis, Missouri, the seventh of eight children of whom only six survived infancy. Her father, Isaac Newton Hahn, a hardware salesman, was an atheist who read passages from the Bible to his children so that he could point out inconsistencies. Her mother, Hannah, née Schoen, was a committed suffragette who rode a bicycle while wearing bloomers and



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them to The New Yorker.

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Hahn's first book appeared in 1930. Seductio ad Absurdum: The Principles

and Practices of Seduction — a Beginner's Handbook, was a satirical

In 1931 she ran away to the Belgian

Congo, where she spent two years at a

Red Cross medical outpost working

among African pygmies. She wrote

about her experiences in a lively travel

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critically from an early age.
In 1922 Emily Hahn caused a furore when she was the first woman to enrol in the faculty of mining engineering at the University of Wisconsin. She had planned to study English literature, but changed her mind when a professor told her that women were "incapable of grasping mechanics or higher mathematics".

After graduating, Haim worked in turn as an oil geologist, a greetings-card writer and as a guide on horseback expeditions into the New Mexico wilderness. In 1928 she moved to New York to begin writing seriously. Her first New Yorker pieces, published in the spring of 1929, were actually letters to her brother-in-law in Chicabrought the breakthrough she craved. The same was true of her novel Affair (1935), which dealt with alienated youth

and the question of abortion. In the spring of 1935 Hahn ran away again, this time to the Far East. She spent four years in Shanghai, where she scandalised the European community by becoming the concubine of a Chinese poet named Simmay Zau. It was through Zau that she met Communist revolutionaries such as Mao Zedong and Zhou Enlai, and the Soong sisters, about whom she later wrote. She also became addicted to opium.

On the eve of the Pacific war she created yet another acandal by falling in love with Major Charles Boxer. married British officer who headed Army intelligence in Hong Kong. A few weeks before Pearl Harbor, Hahn gave birth to Boxer's child, a daughter hey named Carola.

When Boxer was wounded in the attack on Hong Kong and subsequent-ly became a PoW, Hahn convinced lapanese officials she was Eurasian, so as to remain free to carry food parcels to Boxer and other starving PoWs. She also got involved in underground relief work.

Hahn and her daughter were repa-triated to the US in a 1943 exchange of prisoners. After the war she married Boxer. They subsequently had another daughter, Amanda, who lives and works in London as an actress.

From the late 1940s onwards the Boxers maintained an unconventional marriage: he lived near Berkhamsted Herdordshire, while she settled in New York and joined the staff of The New Yorker. Each summer she travelled to Britain to be with her husband for 91 days - the maximum residency period allowable before she was required to

pay British taxes.
Throughout her years at The New Yorker, Hahn was one of the maga-zine's most prolific writers. She often acted as a roving correspondent, filing reports that were as far-flung as they vere edectic: Hahn wrote about everything from angels and rabbis to nds and maharajahs.

in her later career, she wrote several books about zoology. Apes were one of her favorite topics; she kept pet gibbons in Hong Kong and Shanghai, where she created a sur by outfitting her simism companion, Mr Mills, in a tailored mink suit.

Emily Hahn went to her New Yorker office each working day until just a few weeks before her death. She continued to be an occasional contributor to that magazine and to others. Her most recent article, about her daughter Amanda's dog, appears in the current issue of the British publication Dogs

Today. Hahn is survived by her husband and her two daughters.

### ALAN ELLIOT-SMITH

Alan Elliot-Smith, CBE. Headmaster of Cheltenham College 1940-51, died on February 10 aged 92. He was born on June 30, 1904.

NOTABLE headmaster. Alan Elliot-Smith played a leading part in the liberalisation of traditional public school education. As Headmaster of Cheltenham

College during and after the Second World War he brought about reforms in customs remaining from the last century. He was among the first to stop the catning of boys by more senior boys and tried to replace imposed discipline by self-discipline.

Known to his friends simply as Elliot, Alan Guy Elliot-Smith spent all his adult life in education. After Charter-house and Oriel College, Oxford, where he read modern languages, he was appointed an assistant master at Harrow, where he remained for 15 years. His subjects were lan-guages and literature and, although he did not take part in team games, he played tennis and fives. He tried to hroaden horizons, taking parties of boys abroad in the holidays and, for several years, he was a committed

> District Council. While at Harrow he married Ruth Kittermaster, whose friendliness and small, brisk person complemented her more imposing husband. Even when young Elliot-Smith had a commanding presence: tall and well-built. with a high-bridged nose and sharply inquiring eyes. He was clearly headmaster material, but when chosen as such by Cheltenham College it was found that he had never been confirmed in the Church of England, and this had to be attended to before he could be named as headmaster in 1940.

member of the Harrow Urban

immediately, he faced problems peculiar to wartime, with the help of an outstanding bursar, Rollo Pelly. Chel-tenham College had been evacuated to Shrewsbury and had to be returned to its own buildings. There were shortages of food and clothing, so Elliot-Smith dressed his boys in boiler suits and introduced

communal catering.

There was a shortage of teaching staff as the younger

masters were called to war service and he was eclectic in his recruitment. His choices included a pacifist (who did not proclaim his beliefs in warningl, women teachers, the Hampstead intellectual Paul Bloomfield and Guy Pocock, who had retired from a career in publishing and at the BBC.

The system of education was changing and Chelten-ham's traditional departments - Classical and Military were phased out. Then and after the war. Elliot-Smith changed teaching methods towards university practice, based on weekly rather than hourly programmes. In wartime the boys were expected to help with domestic work and grow vegetables. He encouraged self-discipline but had to keep a rein on some liberal reform, as when a theatrical revue staged by two of the boys, Lindsay Anderson and Gavin Lambert (the future film director and writer, re-

spectively) was thought to be

in bad taste by parents. He introduced sex education by

visiting lecturers. Elliot-Smith's many reforms and much-needed modernisation ran foul of the Old Cheltonian Society then dominated by a peppery retired major-general. He waged a rude and damaging war against the headmaster. until rebuked by a more senior Old Cheltonian, General Sir Alan Cunningham, who told him: "When your name gets the kind of roar that Elliot's

does, I will take some notice of you. Until then, I should be glad if you would dry up." Five years after the end of the war, Elliot-Smith was regarded as a high-flyer who

would probably move to one of

the major public schools, or an Oxbridge college. So his resig-nation in 1951 and his next choice of employment came as a shock.

At the urging of the British Council, he became headmaster of an Egyptian version of the English public school, Victoria College at Maadi. outside Cairo. Having no children of his own, Elliot-Smith had been feeling restless, wanted a change and saw the job of educating the future leaders of the Middle East as a worthwhile challenge.

The Elliot-Smiths moved all their belongings - furniture, pictures and books - to Egypt in 1952, the year of the anti-British riots in Cairo arising from tensions over the continued British occupation of the Suez Canal Zone. But he persevered and his efforts to promote Anglo-Egyptian rela-tions led to his appointment as CBE. Then came the Suez crisis and the Eliot-Smiths. together with the other expatriates, were summarily expelled. Allowed to take one suitcase each, they had to abandon and lose all their belongings, including his li-brary of four thousand books.

On his return, Elliot-Smith sat on various educational bodies and for a year was the West Africa Committee's representative in Nigeria before being appointed Headmaster of Markham College in Lima. Peru, in 1960. Three years later he returned to England and bought a house in the suburbs of Eastbourne. Here he spent his long retirement. taking up book-binding, sometimes visited by his former pupils and cheered by the positive, cheerful attitude of his wife, who survives him.

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### SIR FRANK HARTLEY

Sir Frank Hartley, CBE. Dem of the School of Pharmacy, University of London, 1962-76, died on January 26 aged 86. He was born on January 5. 1911.

AMONG his many notable achievements as a pharmacist, Frank Hartley supervised the early development of the contraceptive pill. As director of research at British Drug Houses he guided the develop ment of the first pill to clinical assessment, though side-effects prevented its being mar-

There was hardly a facet of pharmacy his career did not touch. He was of an age when entry to the field was through a three-year apprenticeship and evening study for a diploma (as "chemist and druggist"). He then enrolled for the higher diploma of "pharma-ceutical chemist". He achieved the latter in 1930 and revistered as a pharmacist in 1932.

His bias was towards chemistry and combined an appointment as a demonstrator at the School of Pharmacy. then in Bloomsbury Square, with study at Birkbeck College. He took a first in chemistry in 1934 and a PhD in 1940. The route to higher degrees in pharmacy is much simplified now, but the long haul from apprenticeship to doctorate, achieved by working all the hours that were available on little money, gave the pharmaceutical scientists of

Hartley's generation unri-

valled experience. It perhaps explains why, at the young age of 29. Hartley was able to join the Dutch firm of Organon as chief chemist of its operation in Britain. Organon is a major phar-

maceutical manufacturer of

steroid hormones. Hartley's experience with the firm was later to lead to work with British Drug Houses and his involvement with the earliest generation of oral contraceptive steroids. War brought a need for greater quantities of antibiot-

ics and led to the formation of the Therapeutic Research Corporation to co-ordinate efforts antibiotic production; Hartley was appointed its secretary and secretary to the

Ministry of Supply's General Penicillin Committee. At the end of the war he was appointed director of research of British Drug Houses, where he did his work on the contraceptive pill. He was a member of the Committee on Salety of Drugs, the predeces-

sor of the Committee on Safety

of Medicine, 1963-70. Hartley also made significant contributions to those essential but little understood compendiums of standards of pharmaceuticals such as the British Pharmacopoeia ("the BP), known throughout the world as the repository and guardian of standards of purity and quality of drugs and medicines. He was for a time chairman of the BP Commis-

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considerable inroads modernising its approach to the development of standards suitable for the 20th century. In 1962 he moved from industry to academia, succeeding Professor Linnell as Dean of the School of Pharmacy of the University of London, His forte latterly was as a committee man, but one who could shape events, especially as a forceful, well prepared chairman.

He was appointed deputy vice-chancellor of the University in 1973 and in 1976-78 was Vice-Chancellor. He was knighted for his services to pharmacy in 1977, having been appointed CBE in 1970. He recrived numerous other honours, fellowships and honorary degrees.

In 1962 he became President of the Royal Institute of Chemistry. It was at that time, however, that he lost some

friends who felt that he should have been more partial to his primary discipline when the issue of the "qualified person" was being discussed. In continental Europe every pharma-ceutical manufacturer has to have by law a pharmacist with overall authority for production of medicines - the socalled "qualified person". This is not the case in Britain, where chemists and biologists are allowed to fulfil this statutory function. Colleagues felt that as a pharmacist Hartley might have pressed the claims of his own discipline to bring Britain into line with what is regarded as a sensible conti-

nental practice. After retirement from university service, Hartley still gave of his time and expertise in an elder statesman capacity to the university and its colleges. He maintained his interest in the School of Pharmacy and in the activities of his successor deans. Nerves at the school were jangled in 1982 when a university working party explored its amal-gamation with the Chelsea Department of Pharmacy and the relocation of the combined operation to the Tooting site of St George's Hospital and Medical School. Hartley was very much for the marriage, but the working party decided against it.

Hartley's wife Lydia recently predeceased him. He leaves two sons: one, Peter, a canon in the Church of England, and the other, Frank, now Vice-Chancelior of Cranfield.

### THE POLISH REVOLUTION. (FROM OUR VIENNA CORRESPONDENT.)

YIENNA, FEB. 21. On the 13th inst. some Cossacks, who were in pursuit of two mounted Polish fugitives, violated the Austrian frontier near Ulanov. a small town to the north-east of Russow, the capital of a Galician "circle" of the same name. One of the fugitives, a Roman Catholic priest, fell from his horse, and was wounded by the Cossacks, but both he and his companion managed to reach Ulanov, where they were protected by the local authorities. On the following day a Russian detachment, under the command of a captain, appeared at Ulanov, which is about three English miles from the frontier, and demanded the immed are extradition of the fugitives. A long and angry discussion ensued, and the matter ended by the Russian soldiers being excerted to the frontier by some Austrian gendarmes and Custom-house officers. "The Russians were not disarmed, as the inhabitants of Ulanov displayed an inclination to make short work with the murderers of their Polish brethren." Volleys of stones were thrown at the

retreating Rustians, who cursed the Austrian authorities, and promised to return and set fire

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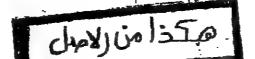
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he supposed that the Emperor of Austria will allow his territories to be violated with

impunity.
When the Russians, under Prince Baeration, took possession of Ojcow, which they did without a single blow being struck, they put several of the inhabitants of the place to the sword and then plundered their houses. Three villages in the neighbourhood of Ojcow have also been sacked, and we to-day learn from Cracow that 40 wounded men, who were being transported from Miechow to that city, were cruelly murdered by the Russians. When the Russians got possession of Swienty-Krzysz, on

have been shot for treacherously leading a detachment of sithernen into an ambuscade. locked up in a room in the convent. The insurgent corps under Langiewicz is still near Staszow (to the south-west of Sandomierz), and is said to have several iron guns. On the 15th inst. the Russians advanced against Langiewicz, who retreated in the direction of Stobnica. The Russians followed up their supposed advantage, but they fell into an ambuscade, and were for a time exposed to a very heavy fire of grapeshot. disorder, the Russians were attacked by about a thousand sithemen, who did great execution with their ungainly but formidable weapon. It is said that the first troops to enter the town of Miechow on the 15th inst. were Polish lancers. The insurgents under Kurowski, who had 130 killed and 200 wounded, had no artillery. Many Galicians who had gone to Poland to assist their suffering fellow-countrymen, and were forced to return, are now under the surveillance of the police, and they will be brought to trial on a charge of having aided and abetted the subjects of a foreign potentate in an attempt to change the existing order of things. The insurgents are still in Polish Dombrowa, where they are bosily employed in casting and boring guns.

the 12th inst., they found Morcau, who was to



# Bartering comeback on the cards in Britain

WHEN Apex Marketing, the north London publishing and sponsor-ship group, moved offices at the end of last year, Peter Antell. joint managing director, was extremely reluctant to pull out his cheque-book. Instead, he managed to pay for £30,000-worth of office furniture, not to mention the office carpet, through bartering advertising space in the company's publications, such as The Organiser (a. specialist journal for the hotel and catering industry) and Seve Ballesteros's Guide to Golf.

Bartering is older than money itself. For years, companies have fixed up "contra deals" between themselves: a radio station, for instance, might allocate advertising space to a taxi firm in exchange for travel facilities.

Attempts to get over the obvious practical limitations of this informal system have never really got off the ground in this country, but there are signs that this is starting to change, and small and mediumsized enterprises appear to be best

The British bartering market has been shaken up by the arrival of Bartercard, a six-year-old Australian company operating a barter exchange system, which claims to be a world leader with a trade turnover of A\$280 million (£130 million). Member companies, such as Apex, do business with each other using "trade pounds" instead of sterling. These can be exchanged for goods and services from any member of the scheme, such as the

Tom Maddocks checks out a

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office equipment supplier. There are 16,000 members worldwide. Corporation International (CBCI), which operates a similar scheme. The Bartercard acts like a credit card, with transactions authorised centrally and the relevant member accounts credited and debited. The company operates the central clearing house, and also produces a members' directory, which acts as a

business in itself. Since arriving in this country last summer, the company has signed up 250 companies at £595 a time. In membership terms, it is already on the point of overtaking the much longer-established Capital Barter

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than at retail price. For instance, it would cost a restaurant buying a E2,000 computer system by barter much less to provide 62,000 worth of meals to Bartercard or CBCI members than to pay in cash.

Peter Antell, of Apex, said: "We

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are effectively trading on marginal cost. I think barter is particularly suitable for high-margin service businesses such as ours. Companies operating in high-turnover but low-margin industries may not be able to make the economics work so easily by the time they have paid the commission."

Bartercard is adding 50 clients a month. It vets applicants before giving them a credit limit, and visits each company to ensure that it can deliver a saleable product or service back into the system.

In the past, many struggling firms have bartered to avoid tax. The clearing house schemes are a way of legitimising something that has often been a part of the black economy. Firms pay VAT (in cash) and tax on transactions as if they were carried out in sterling.

The Federation of Small Busi-

nesses has given moves towards bartering a cautious welcome.
"Schemes like these will have to build up a large network before they can really work well," Uri Nathan, its London organiser said. "But low turnover and payment difficulties are the big-gest problems affecting small companies. Anything that can help solve these has got to be worth exploring."



### Room at the inn and cash need not be a problem

By TOM MADDOCKS

SIR Michael Wilmot, owner of The Beaufort hotel behind Harrods in Knightsbridge, has been a committed barter fan for years. He has been a member of several international barter networks, including Bartercard and CBCL The 28-room Beaufort opened in 1986 as one of the first of the new wave of luxury townhouse hotels in London, of which

there are now a couple of dozen. Sir Michael said: "Barter generates extra sales income for us by selling rooms that would otherwise remain empty." The hotel reckons to do about £100,000 of its £1.5 million turnover by barter, making it one of the country's biggest users of the system. He said: "It certainly helps our cashflow. We have bought printing and stationery, magazine advertising, wines and spirits, all travel

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through barter — you name it."
He finds Americans keenest to suap up bartered rooms at The Beaufort, at £110-£240 a night. He said: "In Britain, barter seems more restricted to smaller companies, while over there it is well established among the Fortune 500 as well Even General Motors, the biggest of all, is a committed user." But Sir Michael warns small companies to think carefully before plunging into the world of pizzas for plane tickets.

They need to make sure there ate things they want to buy through barter, as well as things they can sell. It's not for the financially illiterate."

New businesses improve

start-ups are cottage industries, according to the latest quarterly small business report from National Westminster Bank. About 132,000 owner managers

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starting up in 1996 used their homes as a business base, the bank calculates. For the first time since the late 1980s. Britain's smallest businesses with a turnover of less than E50,000 reported a significant economic improvement. Even so, the 330,000 businesses of all sizes that were launched last year repre-

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More than half of start-ups now use a personal computer for their business. This figure increases to 80 per cent for limited companies. Two thirds of the businesses that are run by people who were formerly managers have a

er for businesses starting up than in the late 1980s. While the numbers of businesses starting up for the last two years have stabilised, we are still facing a 36 per cent drop in start-up numbers from the beginning of the decade. Experiences of recession, weak consumer lemand and uncertainty over the

CBCI takes a 7 per cent cash

commission on each transaction,

against 5 per cent by Bartercard plus I per cent in trade pounds.

Mike Timoney, managing director of Bartercard UK, said: "In

December, even before our official

launch, £300,000 of goods and

services were traded through the

system." He and his partner, Nick

Tammik, both former insurance

salesmen, put £500,000 of their

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### By RODNEY HORSON NEARLY half of small business sented a drop of i per cent on 1995.

Peter Ibbetson, NatWest's head of small business services, says the cottage industries are increasingly using the Internet for day-to-day contact with the outside world. He

future have all played a role in the overall decline.

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# Executors can claim after settlement

Jameson and Another v Central Electricity Generating Board and Another Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord

Justice Auld and Sir Patrick

[Judgment February 13] A plaintiff accepting a payment "in full and final serilement and satisfaction of his claim in a personal injury action did not thereby bar his executors from

proceeding with a dependancy claim after his death against a concurrent lortfeasor. The release of one concurrent tortfeasor, whether by judgment or by settlement, only released another concurrent tortfeasor if the settlement amounted to a payment

of the full value of the claim. The Court of Appeal so held in reserved judgments dismissing two appeals by the defendants, Central Electricity Generating Board and Babcock Energy Ltd. from the judgment on preliminary issues of Sir Haydn Tudor Evans, sitting as a judge of the Queen's Bench Division in March 1995.

I in favour of the plaintiffs, the executors of the estate of David A. Jameson, deceased, in their claim against CEGB for damages for loss of dependency under the Fatal Accidents Act 1976 and

2 That in the event of the plaintiffs succeeding in that claim CEGB was entitled to claim against Babcocks for a contribution under the Civil Liability (Contribution) Act 1978.

Mr Ian McLaren, QC, for CEOB: Mr William Woodward, QC and Miss Elizabeth Hodgson for Babcocks; Mr Ronald Walker,

Regina v Secretary of State

for Health, Exparte Generics

Regina v Same, Ex parte E. R. Squibb and Sons Lid and

Before Lord Justice Flirst, Lord

Justice Aldous and Lord Justice

in a case where each of two

competing applicants for judicial

review would be deprived of a financial asset which it was in the

public interest they should have were relief to be granted to the other, the usual principles by which the court assessed the

balance of convenience did not

apply in determining whether or not to grant interim relief.

dismissing separate appeals by Generics (UK) Ltd and E. R.

Squibb and Sons Ltd against the refusal by Mr Justice Owen on

The Court of Appeal so held

(UK) Ltd and Another

Judgment February 20j

QC and Mr Anthony Coleman for

LORD JUSTICE AULD said that Mr Jameson died in 1988 at . the age of 50 from malignant mesothelioma. Shortly before his death he had agreed to accept £80,000 from Babcocks, his former employer, in "full and final settle ment" of his claim in negligence/breach of stanutory duty causing that disease by exposing him to asbestos.

The £80,000 was significantly less that the full liability value of his claim, reflecting the parties appreciation of the uncertainty of the outcome of intigation. Mr Jameson's claim against

Baboocks was that the harmful exposure had occurred at various places it had employed him, including those of CEGB, at which Babcocks was undertaking work. After Mr Jameson's death the plaintiffs, his executors, had issued proceedings against CEGB under the 1976 Act in respect of the same exposure to asbestos as for part of the claim in the settled action against Babcocks, alleging similar, but not identical, negligence and breach of stannory duty.

CEGB maintained it could not be liable because Mr Jameson's settlement with Babcocks had satisfied his claim and had thus discharged any claim he might have had against CEGB as a concurrent tortleasor. CEGB joined Babcocks as a

third party to the action who similarly resisted that claim and also maintained that a claim under the 1976 Act in such circumstances was not within the provisions of

tions for interim relief in actions for judicial review of a decision of

the licensing authority established by the Medicines Act 1968 to grant Generics (UK) Ltd a licence to

market the drug Captopril for

Sarah Lee for Generics; Mr Geof-frey Hobbs, QC and Mr Nicholas Green for Squibb; Mr David Pannick, QC and Ms Dinah Rose

for the secretary of state.

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SCHIEMANN said the appeal

was concerned with interim relief

in applications for judicial review.

had been adjourned on a reference

to the European Court of Justice for a preliminary ruling which was

ior a preliminary ruming which was unlikely to be given until 1998.

The regime for granting licences for marketing medicinal products was to be found in Directive 65/65/EEC (OI No 22 February 9, 1995).

1965), as amended by Directive 87/21/EEC (OJ 1987 L2/15/36). The

judicial review proceedings

Mr Gerald Barling, QC and Ms

by judgment or settlement of one deasor discharged a concurrent tortiessor, required consideration of the separate defences of accord and satisfaction and of

enistaction. Accord and satisfaction The judge had held that a

settlement by one concurrent tortleasor only released another concurrent tortiessor if it amounted to actual satisfaction, that is, payment of the full value of the claim. Accordingly, he held that Mr Jameson's settlement with Babcocks for less than his claimed whole loss had not released CEGB from any liability it might have.

The rule that accord and satisfaction, us distinct from a revenant not to sue, operated as a release for joint tortleasors was well established. The cause of well established. The cause of action against them was one and indivisible: Duck v Mayeu (1892) 2 (B SII), Apley Estates Co Lid v De Bernales (1947) Ch 217) and Gardiner v Moore (1969) 1 (B SS). Lord Justice Steyn in Watts v
Aldington (The Times December
16, 1993) suggested that now was
not the time to extend to concurrent not the time to extend to concurrent tordeasors a rule as to joint tordeasors which was in retreat. The principle to be extracted from the authorities was that accord without full satisfaction reached with one tordeasor did not release.

concurrent tortleasor. That was

because the latter was a defendant

relevant article of that directive

was susceptible of at least three

interpretations, the authority's

interpretation, the Generics inter-

pretation and the Squibb interpretation.

and already licensed to marke

Captopril for myocardial infaro-tion, had challenged by judicial review proceedings the authority's decision to award a similar licence

to Generics. Generics had inter-

vened to support the authority in

those proceedings.

The authority had refused
Generics a licence to market the

drug for diabetic nephropathy, for which Squibb was licensed.

Generics had challenged that de-cision by way of judicial review, and Squibb had intervened in

those proceedings to support the

Broadly speaking, the Squibb interpretation of Directive 65/65

achieved the maximum market

advantage for the initiator of the

authority's refusal.

Squibb, the initiator of the drug

or a potential defendant to a separate action. Satisfaction The defence was different from that of accord and satisfaction. It had to be full satisfaction and it

was the simple one that a claimant should not receive more than was necessary to compensate him for the wrong done.

Mr McLaren and Mr Woodward, relying on Apley Estates and on a Scottish case, Carrigan v Duncan (1971 SLT (Sh Cl) 33), submitted that a settlement Indemnitee with one tortiessor expressed to be in full and final settlement should be regarded as full satisfaction so as to bar an action against a

concurrent torticasor. The plaintiffs submitted that the defence of satisfaction was only available where the claimant had been fully compensated in ac-cordance with his claims for the rongs done to him.

Such guidance as could be found from the authorities, see Clark t Urquhart (1930) AC 28; United Urquhart (1930) AC 28); United Australia Ltd v Barclays Bank Ltd (1941) AC I; Bryanston Finance Ltd v De Vries (1975) 1 OB 703) and (1981) 1 WER 1153) and Townsend v Stone Toms and Partners (No 2) (1984) 27 BER 26), indicated that satisfaction was a practical and objective defence, not dependent on agreement or accord, although often the result of it, by which a defendant simply said that the plaintiff had already been fully commenced for the uncord. compensated for the wrong for which he claimed damages.

it was available where the plaintiff had received the full value of his Here the judge found that the £80,000 did not represent the full value of Mr Jameson's claim

Satisfaction had to be executed:

against Babcocks on a full liability basis. He was not bound to equate full satisfaction with a figure acceptable to both parties

The authority's interpretation favoured the initiator where the

new indication was far from the

competitors where the new indica-

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tion was close to the existing

Generics would fail in their

challenge to the authority if the European Court upheld either the

amhority's interpretation or the Squibb interpretation. Squibb would fail if either the authority's

interpretation or the Generics

interpretation was upheid.

The judge had felt it inappro-

printe to express a view as to the

merits of the three interpretations

and refused even as a matter of interim relief to disturb the

The net result was the court had

to proceed on the basis that each of

the three rival interpretations had an equal chance of success before

authority's decision.

It was a finding he was entitled to make. Accordingly receipt by Mr Jameson of the £80,000 could not bar his executors from proceeding with their claim.

By section 1(1) of the 1978 Act any person liable in respect of any damage suffered by another person may recover contribution from any other person liable in respect 

failed in its other arguments, it provision to a contribution from Babcocks because their respective liabilities were "in respect of the same damage.". Mr Woodward contended there

was no common "damage" for the purposes of section I(I) because the injury or damage in an action under the 1976 Act was not that suffered by the deceased before he died but only that suffered by his dependants on and as a result of

his death.

That argument confused "damage" as it was used in the 1978 Act with "damages" in the normal sense of compensation. The correct interpretation of the 1978 Act was that provided by Mr McLaren: the relevant damage was the alleged wrong that caused injury and death to Mr Jameson and that the action by the executors was a action by the executors was a derivative one "in respect of the same damage".

Lord Justice Nourse and Str Patrick Russeli agreed. Solicitors: Dibb Lupton Broomhead, Birmingham: Hextall Erskine & Co; Payne Marsh Sullwell, Southampton.

### Balance of convenience test not apt for interim relief the maximum advantage to the

position that the relevant probabilities were presented to it as given.

Nor was the concept of "injus-

The very issue which had been referred to the European Court was which of the two facets of the public interest should prevail. In those circumstances it would be wrong for the court to seek to lay down any general rule that in applications for interim relief in

Although it was in general useful in cases involving the grant of interim relief to talk of "balance of convenience" and "injustice" those were not apt concepts when considering the exercise of the court's discretion in the highly

Lord Justice Hirst and Lord Justice Aldous agreed. Sollators: S. J. Berwin & Co. McKenna & Co; Solicitor, Depart-

The principles in American Cyanamid v Ethicon Ltd (1975) AC 396) had no immediate application. The court was in the unusual

tice" easy to apply. In each set of proceedings a "wrong" decision to refuse an injunction would deprive one party of a financial asset which it was, hypothetically, in the public interest they should have. A "wrong decision to grant an injunction deprived the other of a similar financial asset.

such circumstances one of those public interests should prevail

unusual circumstances of the appeal.

# Councils entitled to deal over boundary change

Regina v Secretary of State rent from tenants. The order had for the Environment, Ex parte Sutton London Borough Connell

Before Lord Justice Stuart-Smith, Lord Justice Pill and Lord Justice

Phillips [Judgment February 7] Local authorities were empowered by section 68 of the Local Government Act 1972 to make agreements with respect to their rights affected

by boundary changes. The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment dismissing an appeal by Croydon London Borough Council against a determination of Mr Justice Potts of a preliminary issue on an applica-tion by Summ London Borough Council to quash a decision of the Secretary of State for the Environment made on January 15, 1995.

Mr Michael Barnes, QC and Mr Nicholas Taggart for Croydon; Mr Alan Wilkie, QC and Mr Nigel Giffin for Sutton.

LORD JUSTICE PILL said that the secretary of state had declined to appoint an arbitrator pursuant ction 68(3) of the 1972 Act to resolve a dispute between Sutton and Croydon.

The dispute arose out of an alteration to the boundary between the boroughs made by the sec-retary of state in the Greater London and Surrey (County and London Borrough Boundaries) (No 3) Order (SI 1993 No 1319). The order was made following a report to the secretary of state by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on July

One effect of the boundary change was that part of an industrial estate at Imperial Way was transferred from Sutton to Croydon. Prior to the change, Sutton was the owner of a freehold interest in some properties on the estate and received substantial

the effect of vesting the properties in Croydon. That occurred by reason of regulation 62(2) of and Schedule 6 to the Local Government Area Changes Regulations (SI 1976 No 246).

The preliminary question was whether the boroughs were entitled to make an agreement with respect to the properties under section 68 of the 1972 Act. Sutton sought an agreement that it should become owner of the properties or receive compensation in lieu.

It was common ground that if section 68 did empower the bor-oughs to make such an agreement Sutton was entitled in default of agreement to require the secretary of state to appoint an arbitrator to determine the dispute.

Section 68 provided: "(I) Any public bodies affected by the alteration ... of any area by an order under ... this Act may from time to time make arrangements with respect to property. income, rights of and any financial ations between, the parties to

"(3) In default of agreement as to any matter, the matter shall be referred to the arbitration of a single arbitrator ... appointed by the secretary of state. .

it was common ground that section 68, considered alone, empowered the boroughs to make an powered the noroughs to make an agreement for the retransfer to Sutton of the properties. Croydon contended, however, that read with section 67 of the Act and the regulations made thereunder section 68 gave no such power.

Section 67 provided: "(1) The secretary of state may by regulations of general application make such ... provision as may appear to him to be necessary or proper for the appropriate of the property of the p for the purposes or in consequence of orders under this Part of this

Act. . ."
The 1976 Regulations were made

of the powers in section 67 and the effect of regulation 62(2) and Schedule 6 was that upon the making of the 1993 Order the properties vested in [Croydon] and all liabilities attaching to [Sutton] in respect of any such property shall by virtue of this paragraph be transferred to and vest in [Croydon]."

Mr Barnes submitted that the effect of regulation 62(12) was to exclude the power of the parties to make agreements under section 68; and that the effect of the exclusion was to render the trans effected by regulation 62(2)

His Lordship saw, in the scheme of the legislation, two statutory intentions which did not need to be

in competition. The first, in the interests of fairness to local authorities and their inhabitants when boundary changes occurred, was to provide an independent procedure for the fair resolution of disputes.

The second, mer by regulation 62(2), was to ensure that there was no doubt where title to public property rested at the moment an r effecting a boundary change took effect.

Regulation 62(12) began by describing itself as "provision made ... without prejudice to ..." Its intention was to confirm existing powers in circumstances where they might otherwise have been argued to be restricted.

The paragraph was not intended to have the drastic effect for which Croydon contended. There was nothing inconsistent between the statutory transfer effected by regulation 62(2) and the continued exercise of the section of powers.

Lord Justice Phillips delivered a concurring judgment and Lord Justice Stuart-Smlth agreed. Solicitors: Stonehams, Croydon;

under section 60(2), which incor-

porated an express limiting prin-ciple by referring to the "likely result" of the deliberate conduct.

The test favoured by his Lord-

ship was one of "reasonable likeli-

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### Housing refusal justified homelessness under section 60(1) the rent on his accommodation.

Regina v Hounslow London Borough Council, Ex parte R Before Mr Stephen Richards [Judgment February 19]

In considering whether a housing applicant had made himself homeless intentionally, the question for a housing authority was whether the applicant's ceasing to occupy his accommodation would reasonably have been regarded at the time as a likely consequence of his

Mr Stephen Richards, sitting as a deputy judge of the Queen's Bench Division, so stated when dismissing an application for ju-dicial review by the applicant, R. unable to be identified under section 11 of the Contempt of Court Act 1981, of the decision of the London Borough of Hounslow on April 30, 1996 that he was intentionally homeless within the meaning of section 60(1) of the Housing Act 1985.

The applicant had terminated his tenancy on being sentenced to seven years imprisonment for a number of indecent assaults on children, as he could no longer pay

deliberate conduct.

On release from prison he applied to the council as a homeless person. The council rejected his pplication on the ground that the offences for which he had been imprisoned were deliberate acts in consequence of which he had ceased to occupy his original

Mr Jan Luba for the applicant: Mr Geoffrey Stephenson for the council.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the first question was whether the "in consequence of which" in section 60(1) were to be taken as laying down a straightforward test of causation, or were to be qualified by reference to some limiting principle.

The preponderance of authority, in the form of Robinson v Torbay Borough Council (1982) I All ER 726); Devenport v Saiford City Council ((1983) 8 HLR 54); and R v Westminster City Council, Exparts Reid ((1994) 2b HLR 690). was in favour of some limitation. Limitation also avoided the absurdity of there being different

in relation to

subjective test, and might be imputed to the fair minded bystander in possession of all the relevant facts. On a reading of the council's

conduct.

decision letter, it was clear that the council had applied the reasonable Solicitors: Vickers & Co. Ealing:

### **European Law Report**

### Place of jurisdiction established by conduct graph of article 17 of the Brussels Convention, as amended, was to be without objection. The vessel

Mainschiffahrts-Genossenschaft eG (MSG) v Les Gravières Rhénanes Sari

Case C-106/95 Before J. L. Murray, President of Sixth Chamber and Judges C. N. Kakouris, P. J. G. Kapteyn, G. Hirsch and H. Ragnemaim

Advocate General G. Tesauro (Opinion September 26, 1996) Judgment February 20 Where one party to a contract concluded in international trade or commerce specified the courts having jurisdiction without chall-

enge by the other party, an agreement conferring jurisdiction was deemed to have been con-cluded if the conduct in question was consistent with a practice in the relevant field of trade or commerce of which the parties were or ought to have been aware.

Where an oral agreement speci-fied a particular place as the place of performance and designated the courts of that place as having exclusive jurisdiction, but the place of performance specified had no real connection with the subject matter of the contract, the provision of the Brussels Convention conferring jurisdiction on the courts for the place of performance

did not apply.
The Sixth Chamber of the Court of Justice of the European Commu-nities so held on a reference by the Bundesgerichtshof (Federal Court of Justice), Germany, under the protocol of June 3, 1971 on the ation by the Court of Justice of the Brussels Convention of September 27, 1968 on Jurisdiction and the Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters, for a preliminary ruling on questions of interpretation of

or questions of interfaces or articles 5(1) and 17 of the Convention, as amended by the Convention of October 9, 1978 on the accession of Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom (OJ 1978 1304 p77).
The plaintiff, based at Würzburg, Germany, chartered an inland-waterway vessel to the

defendant, a company based in France, by a time charter con-cluded orally between the parties. After the contractual negotiations had been completed, the plaintiff sent the defendant a commercial letter of confirmation containing the pre-printed statement: "The place of performance is Wurzburg and the courts for that place have exclusive jurisdiction." The plaintiff's invoices also men-

tioned that forum. The defendant

did not challenge the letter of confirmation and paid all invoices

loaded shipments of gravel mainly in France, carried them on the Rhine and unloaded them all in

In proceedings in which the plaintiff claimed compensation for damage to the vessel and an issue as to jurisdiction arose, the plain-tiff maintained that the third hypothesis in the second sentence of the first paragraph of article 17 of the Brussels Convention entitled it to bring the proceedings in Germany, in view of the statement

in the letter of confirmation. Article 5 of the Convention provides: "A person domiciled in a contracting state may, in another contracting state, be sued: (1) in matters relating to a contract, in the courts for the place of performance of the obligation in

The first paragraph of article 17 provides: "If the parties, one or more of whom is domiciled in a contracting state, have agreed that a court or the courts of a contracting state are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes ... that court or those courts shall have exclusive

Such an agreement conterring jurisdiction shall be either in writing or evidenced in writing or. in international trade or com-merce, in a form which accords with practices in that trade or commerce of which the parties are or ought to have been aware. . . "

In its judgment the Sixth Cham-ber of the Court of Justice held: In order to take account of the specific practices and require-ments of international trade, the 1978 Accession Convention added a third hypothesis to the second sentence of the first paragraph of

In the light of that amendment, consensus on the part of the contracting parties was presumed to exist, and could be so presumed in the present case, if commercial practices in the relevant branch of international trade or commerce existed in that regard of which the parties were or ought to have been

While it was for the national court to determine whether the contract came under the head of international trade or commerce and whether there was a relevant practice which the parties knew or were presumed to have known about, the court would indicate what was necessary in order to make such a determination. It was to be considered that a

contract between two companies established in different contracting

states in a field such as navigation on the Rhine came under the head of international trade or commerce.

Whether a practice existed should not be determined by reference to the law of one of the contracting parties, and should be determined in relation not to international trade or commerce in general but to the branch of trade or commerce in which the parties were operating.
The court then stated further

criteria to be applied. in the event that the national court concluded that in the present

case there was no relevant practice which the parties were or ought to have been aware of the next question was whether an oral agreement on the place of performance, which was designed not to determine the place where the person liable was actually to perform the obligations incumbent on him, but solely to establish that the courts for a particular place had jurisdiction, was valid under

nad jurisdiction, was valid under article 5(1).

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The court had held that the place obligation could be fixed by agree ment between the parties, and that under certain conditions such agreement was sufficient to found jurisdiction in the place specified within article 5(1).

However, while the parties were

free to agree on a place of performance differing from that which would be determined under the law applicable to the contract, without having to comply with specific conditions as to form, they were not entitled to designate, with the sole aim of specifying the courts having jurisdiction, a place of performance having no real connection with the reality of the contract, at which the obligation arising under the contract could not be performed in accordance

with its terms. Agreements conferring jurisdiction in that way were governed by article 17 and were therefore subject to specific requirements as 10

On the grounds stated by it the Court of Justice ruled; 1 The third hypothesis in the second sentence of the first para-

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a contract concluded orally in international trade or commerce.

an agreement conferring jurisdic-tion would be deemed to have been validly concluded under that provision by virtue of the fact that one party to the contract did not react to a commercial letter of confirmation sent to it by the other party to the contract or repeatedly paid involces without objection those documents contained a preprinted reference to the courts having jurisdiction, provided that such conduct was consistent with a practice in force in the field of international trade or commerce in which the parties in question operated and the latter were aware or ought to have been aware of the

practice in question.

It was for the national court to determine whether such a practice existed and whether the parties to the contract were aware of it. A practice existed in a branch of nternational trade or commerce in

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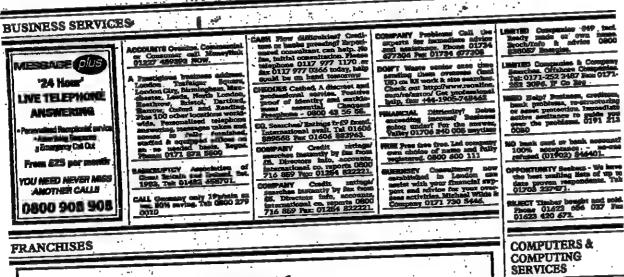
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Dominic Mattee and Stig Inge Bjornebye, the Liverpool defenders, both feature in Leli City, the team of L. Slassor, who lives in Barby, near Rugby, Bjornebye in particular has proved one of the best selections of the season in the full back category and it is no coincidence that a large number of the leading ITF selectors have included him surely undervalued at only £500,000 — in their teams.

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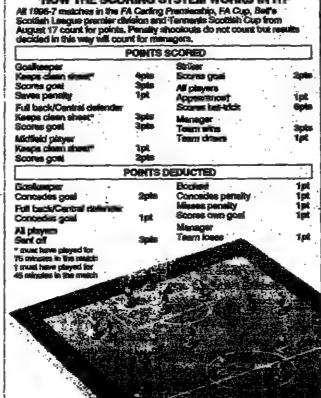


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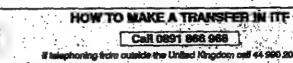
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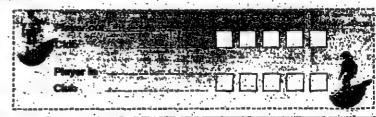
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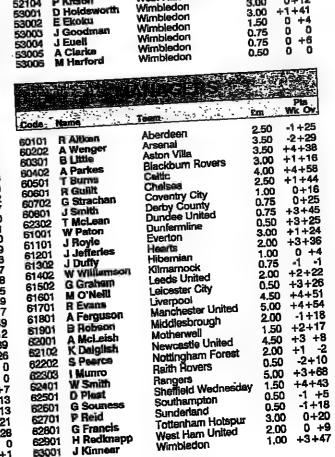


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### NEWS

### Tube self-off to raise £2 billion

■ The London Underground is to be sold off for £2 billion and the proceeds ploughed back into building a modern network fit for the 21st century, Sir George Young, the Transport Secretary, will announce today.

Sir George has won key concessions from the Treasury that will allow proceeds from the privatisation to be "ring-fenced". Whoever buys the network will be "drip-fed" the sale proceeds through an annual subsidy that will have to be spent on upgrading the 255-mile system

### Billie-Jo's guardian held over killing

The foster father of Billie-Jo Jenkins was arrested by detectives investigating her murder. Sion Jenkins, 39, a deputy headmaster, was detained at Hastings. His arrest came nine days after Billie-Jo, 13, was bludgeoned to death \_\_\_\_\_ Page I

### Storms rage

Three people died in a motorway crash as Britain braced itself for the worst gale of the winter with weathermen forecasting hurrlcane force winds in some parts of the south.....

### Princess suos

Lawyers acting for Diana, Princess of Wales, issued a libel writ against the Express on Sunday over allegations that she would personally profit from an auction of her dresses...

### Role for Reeve

Christopher Reeve, the Superman actor paralysed in a horse riding accident, is to make his screen comeback in a remake of Rear Window.

### Sparkling Cherie

Cherie Blair sparkled in the role of party leader's wife when she joined her husband in Wirral South in a dress rehearsal for the general election... ..... Page 4 Video interview

Videotapes of police interviewing

suspects would be played in courts under plans to provide greater protection for both police and alleged criminals ...... Page 5 Not a race apart

Four airline stewards who claimed British Airways discriminated against them because they were Scottish lost their case when a tribunal ruled that Scots and English are the same ...... Page 6

Russian agents bearing cash ....

### Soldier cremated

Mourners at the cremation of Stephen Restorick, the British soldier killed by an IRA sniper, were told that his death should "be a catalyst for peace"......Page 7

### Stretching belief

Churchmen are alarmed by a spate of books by revisionist theologians who claim apostle Paul founded Christianity ...... Page 9

### Deng mourned

Chinese television broadcast extraordinary footage of Deng Xiaoping's family weeping over his body. President Jiang Zemin was shown bowing before the coffin and Prime Minister Li Peng was visibly moved..... ...... Page !!

### President accused

The first President of Zimbabwe and international statesman, The Rev Canaan Banana, was a predatory homosexual who forced his aide-de-camp to submit to repeated rape, according to evidence in .... Page IO

### Gunman's angst

The gunman who shot seven people at the Empire State Building was a 69-year-old Palestinian teacher who had been cheated out of his life savings............ Page 12

### Basque plot A plot by Basque terrorists to

murder or kidnap the eldest daughter of King Juan Carlos of Spain was uncovered last British sples fall on hard times Some of Britain's spies have had their security clearance



Thousands of Chinese wait patiently behind a barrier of military police for a glimpse of Deng Xiaoping's cortege. Page 11

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Dispute: SmithKline Beecham, the pharmaceuticals group, agreed to pay \$325 million to settle a longrunning dispute with American regulators...

Takeover: Yorkshire Electricity accepted a £1.5 billion offer from a US energy group, making it the seventh regional electricity company under US control....

Payout: Alliance & Leicester, the building society that plans to become a bank this spring, will make payouts worth an average of E1,000 to some 2.4 million savers and

Markets: The FT-SE 100 index fell to 4331.1 while sterling rose from 97.4 to 97.7 after its rise from \$1.6191 to \$1.6335 and from DM2.7253 to DM2.7270.... Page 28

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Football: Fifa ruled out any possibility of a joint bid by England and Germany to stage the 2006 World Cup. The two countries will now push ahead to get the backing of . Page 48

Rugby union: Leicester, the new favourites, have been drawn away to Gloucester in the Pilkington Cup semi-finals. Sale entertain Harlequins in the other tie ...... Page 45

Rowing: Ed Bellamy, the Oxford president, issued the traditional challenge to Cambridge but will miss the Boat Race after losing his place in the crew ...... Page 48

Tennis: Tim Henman's world ranking rose from 19 to 14 after he reached the final of the European Community Championship. Greg Rusedski is at 35....

Modern medness: The scandal of Roger Fry's great 1910 Post-Impressionist exhibition that sent a "hurricane" through London is evoked in a show at the Barbican ..... Page 33 Critic's choice: Brian Cox is mag-

nificent as a power-hungry Irish

theatre critic on the road to ruin in

Conor McPherson's one-man play, St Nicholas ..... Pop class: At a gig in Kentish Town, Sheffield band Longpigs show some of the class that has

established them as one of the most accomplished live acts of the

Beer essentials: Geoff Brown reports on the winners of the Berlin Film Festival, including the Golden Bear for best film for The People vs Larry Flynt ....

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INTERFACE A bug in the works: inside the microscopic world of nano-machines

HOMES How VAT informers are making even some honest builders bankrupt

in and out: The British screenwriter Jonathan Gems is directing his first American film - but it could also be his last because, he says, Los Angeles is not a good place to live in .....

Two, Magnus Linklater describes how a headmaster and a minister have helped the town to cope with its grief...

Mistriel by media?: Anthony Scrivener says the Carl Bridgewater case points to a growing trend in Demand and supply: Will the Government's plans for adoption really help those in need? \_\_\_\_Page 37 Back to the futures: Who keeps an eye on the futures traders before they do a Nick Leeson? ..... Page 37

Suffering from desiness, may from autism, a number of politicians did not notice what took place in Paris as more than 100,000 people took to the streets simply to let it be known that they were having more and more difficulty in breathing freely in France today. That the politicians, whether of the Right or of the Left, made a pretence of not hearing them is a bad omen. By dint of seeing nothing they are laying themselves open to a dangerous divorce between the country and their aims

Preview: The Nazis hated Jews and lesbians. Lilly's lover was both. Timewatch (BBC2, 9pm) Review: Lynne Truss goes in search of the real Ray Mears, the wilderness

### Southern discomfort

Attention in Nato must switch to enhancing the powers of Nato's deputy supreme commander, who has been promised command of any operation using purely European forces Page 17

### Find the gaps

The Liberal Democrats have always served a niche market. Their difficulty is that the niche keeps changing places. It used to be between the two main parties, but now the only space left is on the

### Natural ellies

President Weizman's arrival today on the first state visit ever paid to Britain by an Israeli leader is overdue recognition of the long association between the two

### LIBBY PURVES

It is not for us to end evolution. The history of living creatures is a story of change and adaptation. Normal reproduction ensures that the genetic kaleidoscope is shaken every single time, Besides, the qualities which we value today may not be those the future ... Page 16.

### JOHATHAN SACKS

The family is a social institution. It is not something its members have invented, any more than they have made the language they speak. It is something they have inherited from the culture - from habit or custom, or the example of their parents, or possibly religious teaching..... \_\_\_\_Page 16

Emily Hahn, American writer and adventurer, Sir Frank Hartley, pharmacist: Alan Elliott-Smith, headmaster ...

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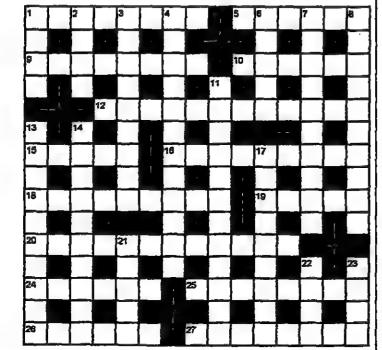
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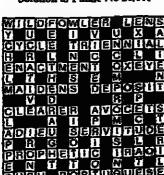
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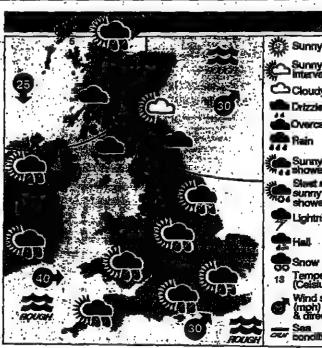
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BUSINESS EDITOR Lindsay Cook

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 25 1997** 

# Yorkshire Electricity accepts £1.5bn US offer



cepted a £1.5 billion takeover offer from an American energy group. The bid puts seven regional electricity companies under US control and leaves Southern Electric as the

only independent player in the industry.
Yorkshire Holdings, a company equally owned by American Electric Power of Ohio and Public Services of Colorado, offered 927p in cash for Yorkshire, which represents premium of 13.3 per cent to the shares' Friday closing price. Analysts believe that the bid is fairly valued; they do not expect a

rival takeover offer.

The shares closed yesterday at \$82p, up 63's p. Analysts said that the discount to the

akeover may not receive approval before Trade and Industry, acting on advice from Offer, the electricity regulator, and the Office of Fair Trading, usually approves or rejects a deal within 35 working days of the

American Electric and Public Services moved quickly once they decided to go for Yorkshire. Yorkshire Holdings, their company, was incorporated on February 14 and first approached Verlebing Electricity, led first approached Yorkshire Electricity, led by Christopher Hampson, chairman, last Thursday. With the election looming, the Americans realised they could not risk

American Electric and Public Services

were each hunting for a regional electricity company. In December, acting on the advice of Merrill Lynch, the Wall Street vestment firm, they pooled resources. By then Yorkshire and Southern were the only

two takeover options.

A Merrill banker said that Southern, with a market capitalisation of almost £2 billion against Yorkshire's £1.3 billion, was simply

The takeover price represents a multiple of 6.6 times Yorkshire's cashflow in the year to Marth 31, 1996, and 11.3 times its earnings per share. The bid will be 75 per cent financed by debt and 25 per cent by equity. Yorkshire shareholders will retain the right to receive the interim dividend of 15.8p. to be paid on March 25.

offer partly because they wanted to expand beyond the highly competitive US market and partly because they believe they can introduce new services and businesses to Yorkshire. Wayne Brunetti, president of Public Services, an electricity and gas utility with three million customers in Colorado and Wyoming, said options include build-ing up Yorkshire's gas supply division and providing "one-stop shopping and billing" for various services. These might include telephony — Yorkshire owns about 20 per cent of lonica, the wireless phone company — and marketing and billing services for

satellite-TV operators.

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# SB agrees \$325m American settlement

SMITHKLINE Beecham, sales of £840 million, up 2 p Britain's second-largest pharmaceuticals group, agreed yesterday to pay \$325 million to settle a kongrunning dispute with Ameri-

can regulators.
SmithKline reached the settlement with the Department of Justice and the Office of the Inspector General of the Dehad accused the company's Clinical Laboratories division of charging for blood and urine tests that were either unauthorised or medically unnecessary between 1989 and

The settlement was covered by a £250 million contingent liability reserve taken in 1995. Nonetheless, the amount was higher than some analysts' had forecast and the shares

lost 112p, to 9102p. Ian Leschly, chief executive, said: "It is important to understand that SmithKline never intentionally violated any laws .... Although we believe we have strong defences, our decision to settle the case was driven by the enormous potential costs and uncertainties connected with lengthy litigation. It was simply too great a

He blamed "ambiguities" in health and regulatory guidelines for Clinical Laboratories' charging practises. The practices were exposed by an employee, who leaked the information to Medicare, one of the US Government's healthcare services.

Other laboratory companies fell foul of the Government as well. In 1994, National Medical Enterprise paid \$385 million to settle overcharging claims, Last year, Laboratory Corporation paid \$302 million in a settlement.
The changes in the system

for government reimbursement for clinical tests has raised speculation that SmithKline will sell Clinical Laboratories. Sales growth and profit growth have been slow. In the last financial year, the division reported cent, and trading profit of £85 million, up 7 per cent. The sales growth however, was entirely dile to volume instead of price increases, and the profit growth largely due to

Smithkline believes that a turnaround at Clinical Laboratories is in place. The half of last year marks the first time that trading profit increased since the second quarter of 1995.

Mr Leschly said that Clinical Laboratories fits the company's strategy of total disease management and will remain in the group

SmithKline's other divisions include pharmaceuticals, consumer healthcare products and managed healthcare.

Tadataka Yamada, president of SmithKline healthcare services, said: "We continue to work with the Government and other third-party providers to arrive at clear, unambigyous guidelines to ensure that, in the future, disputes of this nature can be resolved co-operatively, in a fair and expeditious manner."

The Clinical Laboratories settlement removes a dark cloud over Smithkline. Analysts are now focusing their attentions on the effect of the rise of sterling on the company's profits, and the outlook for Diversified Pharmaceuticals Service, the managed care

SmithKline said that pre-tax profits this year could fall by as much as 5 per cent if sterling remains at year-end levels. DPS, meanwhile, is not earning profits. Smithkline has invested heavily in DPS and believes that the service could be replicated outside of

in spite of SmithKline Beecham's concern about the strength of sterling the company pleased investors last week by announcing a 14 per. cent rise in 1996 profits, to

JOHN BURKE.

Wrote the song: "Pennies from Heaven".



Xstatic: Mike Blackburn, the Halifax chief executive, left, with Jon Foulds, chairman, at the Sheffield Arena for yesterday's special meeting

### Full steam ahead for Halifax

AND CAROLINE MERKELL

AN overwhelming majority of Halifax members have voted in favour of the building society's proposed conversion to a bank in June.

Of the eligible members who voted, more than 97 per cent, or 5.15 million, of investing members voted in favour, while 110,000 voted against. The total number of eligible investing members was 6.96

The Halifax needed a sim-

1.52 million voted in favour and 40,000 voted against, out of a total of 2.29 million

eligible borrowing members.
Almost 1,100 Halifax members attended yesterday's special general meeting at the Sheffield Arena to discuss the proposals which would turn Halifax in to a bank capitalised at £12 billion.

The society's stock market debut, scheduled for June, will be the widest-ever extension of share ownership, benefiting one in five households in the ple majority of borrowers to UK. The Halifax is giving out

basic and variable

distribution.

The basic distribution of 200 shares, worth approximately £840, will be given to members who had at least £100 in their account at November 25, 1994, and February 24, 1997, and to qualifying borrowers. The variable distribution will be paid to those members who had more than \$1,000 at these

Many of those who attended the meeting spoke passionately about their wish for Halifax gave better rates to savers and borrowers. Other questions from the floor focused on the remuneration packages of board members following conversion and the problems of disabled savers who do not

run their own accounts. A Private Member's Bill currently being piloted through Parliament by Douglas French, the Conservative MP, proposes that disabled people would have the same rights as other members. However, even if the Bill is

distribute." Among the opponents of the and Serge Lourie, co-founders of the Halifax Action Group. In an angry exchange, Mr Foulds accused Mr Judge of presenting a "lopsided" argument when Mr Judge claimed the Halifax board was

Halifax.

Jon Foulds, chairman of the

Halifax said he was aware

that it is "a sensitive and

emotive issue". He said: "I

know that the question of

trustee accounts and joint

accounts has come to the fore

with disabled people whose

savings are looked after by

relatives or carers. In many

cases carers acting as trustees

for a number of people will

receive more shares, and

therefore have more to

selling it off cheap".
The Halifax is the largest of the five building societies converting to banks this year. It will become the UK's fifthlargest bank after Natwest, HSBC, Lloyds TSB and Bardays. Some believe the Halifax can benefit from the increase in the value put on the banking sector as a whole, pushing the average handout to as high as £1,500.

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### **BUSINESS** TODAY

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### Eurotunnel wins more time from its banks

By JONATHAN PRYNN TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

EUROTUNNEL has won a further nine months breathing space from its 225 banks, after they agreed to extend the company's interest payment holiday until December 14.

The company requested the extension after last November's fire, when it became clear that its freight shuttle service, one of its biggest revenue earners, would not

resume before the spring.
The standstill was originally scheduled to end on March 31 after the restructuring of the company's finances but the fire has delayed the final

agreement of the deal. Eurotunnel stopped paying the interest on its £9 billion borrowings in September 1995 when it became clear it was heading for insolvency. Without the extension, Eurotunnel would have been faced with an

E800 million a year interest bill that it could not have paid. A £4.5 billion restructuring of its precarious finances was agreed in principle last October but the proposed deal is still being considered by the syndicate. A meeting of shareholders to approve the restructuring has also been delayed until late June

Euronannel executives are still preparing proposed modifications to its HGV freight service for consideration by the Channel Tunnel Salety Authority. However, they are not thought to extend to a redesign of its controversial lattice sided open wagons, blamed by some for the severity of last November's fire.

### Alliance's market share drops

BY ROBERT MILLER

ALLIANCE & LEICESTER. the building society that plans to make its stock market debut on April 21, has seen its share of the home loans market decline sharply in the face of fierce competition

A&L, which is expected to be valued at around £3 billion and give 2.4 million qualifying savers and borrowers 250 free shares worth an average of £1,085, spent £143 million in

a bid to attract new mortgage business last year. Neverthe-less, its share of the home loans market fell to 3.5 per cent from 5.2 per cent in 1995 and gross mortgage lending declined by £700 million to

EZZ billion. Peter White, chief executive, who yesterday reported record annual pre-tax profits of £306 million compared with £287 million in 1995, said the society had chosen not to

"buy" market share with spe-

cial discounts and cashbacks

\* 6,49% (<u>6,7%</u> APR) fixed until 1/3/99

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in the first half of 1996 but had seen its share increase in the fourth quarter as more normal pricing conditions returned.

In the A&L group, Girobank, the society's com-mercial banking subsidiary which processed £73 billion of cash and cheques, chipped in £63 million, down £2 million on the previous year.

The personal banking arm. which includes current accounts, personal loans and credit cards, contributed pre-

6.7%

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against £60 million in 1995. Mr White said that the life and unit-trust business, launched last March, was already profitable.

After the flotation, which is

expected to cost up to £58 million and still needs final clearance from the Building Societies Commission, the newest recruit to the banking sector could be looking to acquire businesses in the long-term healthcare and life

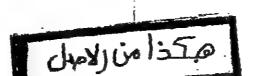
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### Mutual societies shape up

TWO top 20 building societies committed to mutuality reported yesterday. Skipton profits rose 14.3 per cent to £31.1 million. while the Leeds & Holbeck recorded a 29 per cent increase to £18.3 million.

Skipton lifted lending 57 per cent to £500 million and reduced bad debt provisions nearly 60 per cent to £6.7 million. Leeds & Holbeck saw lending rise 43 per cent to £390 million.

### Brierley upset

Brierley Investments has failed to lift its stake in John Fairfax, the Australian newspaper group, by 5 per cent to 25 per cent without making a bid, after institutional opposition. Brierley acquired a 20 per cent stake from Conrad Black's Hollinger Group hoped to buy Mr Black's remaining 5 per cent at the same price — A\$2.82 a share. Brierley is likely to have to spend more to boost its stake under a law that allows a purchase of up to 3 per cent in the market every six months.

### INH lifted

Independent Newspaper Holdings, the 60 per cent-owned South African subsidiary of the Irish Independent group, lifted pre-tax profits to almost Ir£18 million (Ir£16.6 million) last year. Higher circulation and several new titles boosted turnover almost 14 cent.

### Pension stake

Capital Group International, the fund manager and member of Capital Group Companies, which man-ages funds worth more than £150 billion, is taking a 10 per cent stake in Liberty International Pensions. which operates under the PensionStore banner.

### Paying again

Estates & General, the property investment company, is returning to the dividend list with a 0.4p payment after pre-tax profits of El.6 million (El.8 million loss), including £800,000 from a legal settlement.



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Paul Dixon, chief executive of Dixon Motors, the car dealer, yesterday reported a 64 per cent rise in pre-tax profits, to £5.5 million, in 1996, helped by acquisitions. Earnings per share were 20½p, up from 15½p. A 4p final dividend makes a 6p (5p) total. Turnover rose by 86 per cent, to £262.6 million. Dixon said new car sales rose 21 per cent in January. A successful entry into the "smart repair" market helped to lift margins. The shares fell 5p, to 310p

# Hanson value 25% lower as four-way demerger finalised

THE demerger of Hanson into four separate companies has so far cost investors about a quarter of the value of their

The year-long break-up of the conglomerate was completed yesterday with the first trading in The Energy Group and "new" Hanson, the building materials businesses that will continue to be grouped

By JASON NESSE

DAVID ARCULUS, at the

centre of Emap's boardroom

battles last year, has quit as the

media group's managing di-

rector, to be chief operating of-ficer of United News & Media.

name. Shares in Energy, which owns the former Eastern Electricity as well as the Peabody coal mining busi-ness, leapt 43 p, to 568 p, while "new" Hanson closed 12p higher, at 2812p. But even after these rises,

the equivalent value of one

"old" Hanson share has fallen

to 151.6p, from 2042p in January last year, Sharehold-

ers now hold shares in four

porting to Lord Hollick, chief

executive. "I'll be doing the

same job as I did at Emap, but

At Emap, whose shares fell

27p to 7854p yesterday, Mr

Arculus was second in com-

mand to Robin Miller, chief

on a bigger scale," he said.

Imperial Tobacco and the USlisted Millennium Chemicals. After adjusting for the demerger and share consolidations, Hanson is worth 35.2p, Energy S6.8p, Imperial 43p and Millennium 16.6p. Christopher Collins, deputy chairman of Hanson, said: "We feel that the time for judging the demerger process is a year or so down the track."

likely departure only last Wed-

nesday, and is to go in April.

what Mr Arculus should get

from Emap's long-term incent-

ive plan. So far, he has a nom-

inal award of 46,644 shares,

worth £366,000, and could

receive another 25,000 this

The two sides are discussing

December 31, Hanson made pre-tax profits of £157 million. with Energy contributing £138 million of £178 million of operating profits. In the same a pre-tax profit of £248 million. although this included 2205 million from businesses sold

or demerged. The result from Energy, headed by Derek Bonham. who retired from the Hanson

Hanson Brick, the ARC aggregates business and the other activities that make up Arculus quits Emap for United News new Hanson, lifted their combined operating profits !! per cent, to £40 million, on rules, he should give them up. He has share options worth quarterly sales of £578 million. £1.3 million, to keep. (£549 million). The revival in the UK housing market helped Hanson Brick, whose Last year's disputes centred on succession. Emap said yes-

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profits increased by 50 per cent to £6 million. ARC made an unchanged £11 million.

### Motor loss doubles at Hibernian

terday the issue of a new chair-man would be decided by the

end of this year, and Sir John

Hoskyns would retire in mid-

1998. Pennington, page 27

FROM EILEEN MCCABE

THE high cost of motor insur-ance claims in the Republic of ireland was shown again yesterday when Hibernian Group, one of the country's leading insurance companies. revealed that the underwriting loss on its motor account had almost doubled last year.

The loss of IrE17 million contributed to a reduction in the operating profits of its general insurance business in freland to Ir E12.6 million from Ir£19.8 in the previous year.

However, a 73 per cent surge in operating profits in the company's life and pen-sions business and a small contribution from its UK operations lifted overall pre-tax operating profits to IrE27 million, up I per cent. Operating earnings per share were up per cent to 37.4p.

The results add fuel to the

debate on motor insurance costs in the Republic which, industry experts say, are the highest in the EU. An industry survey in 1994 found that personal injury awards arisng out of motor accidents in ireland are on average four times higher than in the UK. There is a final dividend of ir7p, payable on April 28, giving a total of ir 10.1p, up 13.5

### Big rise in disqualified directors

in the previous year. Its quar-

terly sales rose from £959 million to £1.2 billion.

static at £25 million, the contri-

bution from power more than doubled, to E57 million (£23

million), on revenues 51 per cent higher at £759 million.

Energy said that the improve-

ment was due mainly to the

5.900 megawatts of coal-fired

capacity that Eastern has con-

trolled since last July.

While profits from coal were

BY OUR CITY STAFF

THE number of directors banned or disqualified from running limited companies rose by nearly 50 per cent in 1996, according to the Depart-ment of Trade and Industry.

Last year 946 directors were disqualified as unfit, up from 633 in 1995, while actions were started against 1,376, a rise of 20 per cent. Of those, 273 were banned by the courts from running companies, for a range of offences that included embautement and dishon-

est accounting. John Taylor, corporate and consumer affairs minister. said the rise in disqualifications was partly due to new reporting standards intro-duced last September that were intended to make it easier for insolvency accountants to identify and report

News of the increase comes as the DTI confirmed that it would seek the disqualification of ten directors of Barings, the investment bank that which lost more than £800 million through the actions of Nick Leeson, the rogue trader. If the courts agree, the Barings Ten could be banned from being directors for up to 15 years under the 1986 Company Directors

### **Enviros merger to** spread green word

By Fraser Nelson

CHRIS EVANS, the biotech- end of this year, through buynology entrepteneur, has created one of Britain's largest independent environmental consultancies by co-ordinating the merger of his own "green" businesses with Aspinwall & Co.

Enviros, which runs three consultancies with a combined turnover of £9 million, has hought Aspinwall for £7.5 million in a deal partly funded from Dr Evans's own resources.

The enlarged group, which plans to come to the stock market when it breaks even. aims to become the largest consultancy of its kind by the

ing at least two of its rivals. Enviros will advise businesses how to operate more efficiently through environmentally friendly means, and will sell green products: Although it will trade under the slogan "Environmental Excellence". It will be dedicated mainly to enhancing clients' profitability. Dr Evans said: "Our products will be chosen on price and efficiency. The environmental aspect is a bonus — but a tremendous

Aspinwalls will retain its separate brand name.

### Unit trust and Pep sales fall in January

NET retail unit trust sales fell by £83 million in January to £323 million while personal equity plans (Peps) fared little better. The Association of Unit Trosts and Investment Funds (Autil) said yesterday that net Pep sales of £278 million in January were 19 million lower than in December and corporate bond Peps had net sales of £66 million compared with £88 million the previous month. Funds under management rose to £138 billion from £132 billion.

Autif said that both private and institutional investors Autil said that both private and institutional investors committed the largest proportion of funds to two UK sectors—UK Growth and UK Growth and Income. The retail inflow into these two sectors, mainly supported by Pep sales, topped £143 million. Unit trusts investing in overseas markets did not fare so well. Retail inflows into the international sector were at their lowest level for two years and there was a net outflow of £96 million from Japanese funds.

### Capital spending ahead

CAPITAL spending by manufacturing industries in the fourth quarter was 4.6 per cent higher than in the previous three months but 8.6 per cent lower than the fourth quarter of 1995, according to provisional figures published yesterday by the Office for National Statistics. Capital spending in the services sector was up 2 per cent from the previous quarter while the construction sector's investment was up 74 per cent. Fourth-quarter stocks figures, out yesterday, showed a surprising £500 million rise in manufacturers' stocks.

### Airlines in demerger

BRITISH MIDIAND, the UK's second-largest airline that has been expanding on European rounes, is to separate from several smaller partner carriers that concentrate on domestic services. The smaller carriers, comprising British Regional Airlines, Manx Airlines, Loganair, and Business Air, are being demerged from Airlines of Britain Holdings, their parent company. SAS Scandinavian Airlines holds a 40 per cent interest in the group and will dispose of its stake in the smaller airlines while keeping 40 per cent of British Midland.

### Grid expands overseas

THE National Grid has agreed to increase its holding in Citelec, the company with a controlling interest in Transener, the operator of the Argentine electricity transmission system. from 15 per cent to about 40 per cent. The extra investment will cost between \$40 million and \$50 million. The move is part of the Grid's expansion plans overseas and comes after the Argentine Government decided to reduce the number of minority shareholders in Citclec. The Grid will now be one of

### CHG to sell homes

COMMUNITY Hospitals Group (CHG, the hospital services company, is seeking a buyer for its 16 mursing homes, with 800 beds. They are expected to raise around £25 million. Yesterday CHG reported pre-tax profits of £4.95 million for the half year to December 31, up from £3.88 million, with earnings of 9.8p a share (8p). The interim dividend rises to 3.9p a share from 3.4p. The company said its "best view" for the full year envisaged pre-tax profits of between £12.5 million and £13 million, against £10.66 million previously.

### Fitch revives payout

FITCH, the design consultancy, is returning to the dividend list after a five-year absence. Shareholders will receive 0.5p a thare after an increase in pre-tax profits to £1.84 million, from £1.53 million in the year to December 31 last year. Earnings were 3.6p a share, up from 2.8p. Turnover rose to £19.5 million from £16.4 million. America, accounting for 73 per cent of turnover, suffered a 3.3 per cent fall in profits to £1.39 million after new office start-up costs of £200,000. In the UK, profits recovered by 67.4 per cent to £914,000.

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### Amey wins roads deal

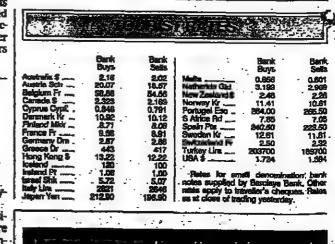
AMEY, the UK's fourth largest roadbuilder, has won an £85 million contract to manage 290 miles of motorway in the Home Counties. The contract, which is for three years with an option to extend it by a further year, covers all motorways and trunk roads in Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Oxford-shire, Henfordshire and Essex. The area includes the northern half of the M25, the M4 as far as Swindon and parts of the MI and MII. Amey already manages more than 1,000 miles of road for the Highways Agency and local councils.

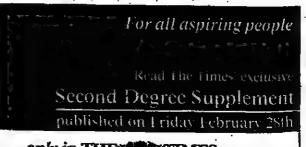
### Simon sale to clear debt

SIMON Engineering is selling the industrial businesses of its access division to Torex Corporation, of America, for \$90 million. The company said the disposal will enable Simon to repay a significant amount of debt, including all outstanding US loan notes, and to restructure its banking arrangements, said Maurice Dixson, chief executive. In 1995, the businesses being sold earned pre-tax profits of E3.4 million on turnover of E111.8 million. Net assets were £34.4 million at December 31, 1995.

### French rail losses

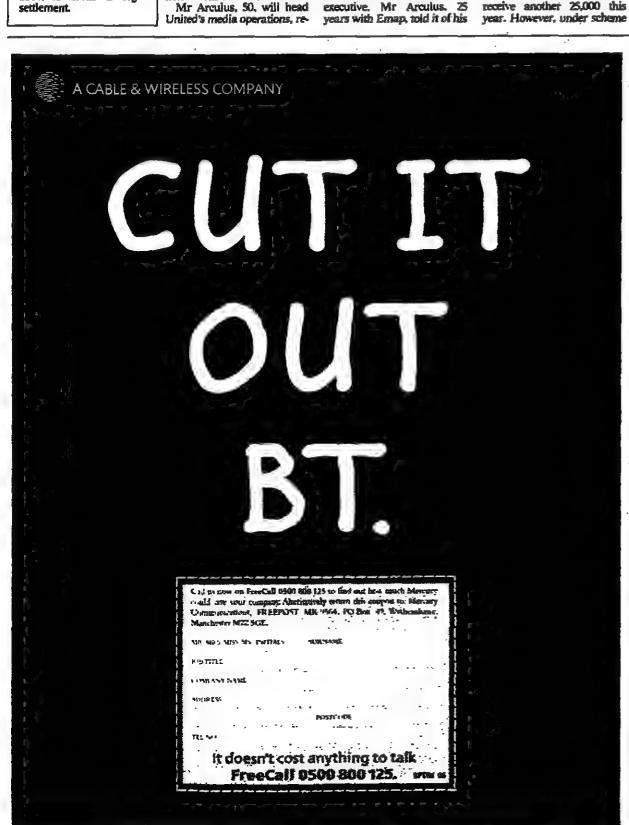
SNCF, the French state-owned railway system, had a deficit of FFr15.2 billion last year or FFr2.7 billion above a revised autumn budget. In 1995, SNCF incurred a loss of FFr16.6 billion and, following the same accounting calculations, would have incurred a 1996 loss of FFr12.8 billion. The Government recently separated the service business from management of infrastructure. The overall business paid interest of FFr12.3 billion on accumulated debt of FFr203 billion.





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diversity, should the regional electricity industry be declared a nature preserve? The bid for

Yorkshire Electricity should slip under the wire before the elec-

tion. Any offer for the last

Southern, could also succeed

One is reminded of that anony-

mous Portuguese sailor who

tucked into the last dodo. Eating

one dodo is no more of a sin than eating the next - until one day,

too late, there are none of them

left. No one can say what use

perhaps? Likewise, we may not

miss all our regional electricity

If Southern does succumb to an American landing party, the beast will have been clubbed

over the head in the nick of time,

because a hit squad from the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds has been sighted on the horizon. Labour's John Battle is

not actually saying his party will block any bids if in power, but the betting is that the Americans

would have a more difficult ride. The timing is tight anyway— the bidders for Yorkshire have

opted for an accelerated time-table that should provide a

decision within 50 days, taking this to about three weeks before a

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David Page, chief executive, plans more restaurants

# Dining on the last dodo

☐ And then there was one. . . ☐ Last episode for Emap's soap opera ☐ Waning fortunes of French holiday legend

May I election date. This explains the undue haste with distributor disappears, the job of which the deal has been done; setting prices by comparing one survivor of the class of 1990. the two Americans wanting to avoid a protracted bidding war. It explains the failure of York-shire to wait it out for a higher price, even if the earnings mul-iples being paid are not much higher than those paid for North-ern in a hostile bid. dodos might have been - pro-vided some parallel world Ber-nard Matthews with his fortune,

So much for fears about the utilities tax. The Americans must think the opportunities to create a Yorkshire mega-utility taking in, potentially, gas and telecoms are well worth the extra cost not that this will prevent them from threatening legal action if a tax is levied.

PowerGen, one of the two big fossil-fuel generators, still har-bours ambitions to buy a regional power company, but it had hoped to wait until after the election, when Labour might look more favourably on such a move. The company has clearly missed one boat and on the above analysis risks missing the next. But any bid for Southern would kill off the last dodo.

The loser would be the electricity regulator and, potentially,

company with another becomes immeasurably more difficult. A few independents allow a clear view of finances that can be too easily obscured once companies come under new ownership.

That suggests a Southern bid should be blocked by whichever government, even if it would be hard on a set of shareholders who would be the only ones shut out of the ball. Better still to block Yorkshire and keep a breeding pair. This will probably not happen under the Conservatives. But it should.

### Arculus departs from the script

CI BACK in the 1960s there was a soap opera set in the racy world of consumer magazines. Compact was the name, if memory serves. It was one of those dramas where bright young people rush into each other's offices saying things like: You swine, Richard - you utter, utter swine."

The series enjoyed a brief revival

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last year courtesy of Emap, the magazine publisher. The plot two clever young men, Robin Miller and David Arculus, turn a sleepy local paper group into one of the most successful publishers of the past decade. Lots of dramatic potential here, because one is a motorbike-crazy journalist and the other a professional manager.

Enter a third character, an abrasive, experienced businessman, a favourite of Mrs Thatcher. as the new chairman. Which of the two will Sir John Hoskyns favour in the inevitable leadership battle? And how long will the other last? Next episode should be a good, public boardroom row - men in suits with lines like, "In all conscience, Robin, I can't back you on this one." We got one last autumn, and two non-executives walked. But what of Mr Arculus? Fast-forward to last November, and Emap presenting interim figures to the City. Robin Miller is

ngires to the Chy. Robin Miler is upbeat, profits up 34 per cent. Sir John is reassuring — split? Of course not. Everyone working together, team effort. David Arculus is strangely subdued.

In the last episode of the new series. Mr Arculus goes to Mr Miller and says be is leaving. No

arguments. Emap's share price falls - lots of anxious calls to brokers. But what is remarkable is how well the price has performed over the past year despite the rows, up from below to to above £8 before yesterday's fall. This would seem to put a

question mark over just how essential Mr Arculus was. Kevin Hand, another director, is probably being groomed - should that be manicured? — to take over much of his former job. The disjunction between the job titles of Mr Miller, chief executive, and Mr Arculus, managing director, was always hard to understand, Emap is still in a strong position in its core markets, with benefits to come from the French business and its expanding radio interests. Watchers might complain if it turns out to be a duller ride from now on, but investors will not.

### Mid-life crisis for Club Med

☐ IF YOU can turn Euro Disney round, you can save anything. So thought grateful French investors, who pushed Club Med shares up a fifth after Philippe Bourguignon, chairman of the chastened theme park, agreed to

chastened theme park, agreed to become chief executive of the once-trendy but now sepiatinged holiday group.

Customers who grit their teeth at Club Med prices might imagine it had profit margins to match. Not so. Profits peaked below £50 million in 1990. In 1995, Club Med made £18 million 1995, Club Med made £18 million on turnover of more than £900 million. Last year, income slipped 6 per cent, profit shrank to about £8 million and an £80 million an £80 million and an £80 million and an £80 million an lion charge for a helated shake-up left the books and investors' faces red instead of bronzed. Matching the getaway primitivism that proved so trendy in

the 1950s and 1960s with today's search for stress-free, sybaritic isolation, was never going to be easy. Identities became blurred when mate-hunting customers carried happy memories of communal encounters into middle age, and wanted to stay with Club Med but bring the kids and have them looked after. Club 18-30 was never going to have that

Gilbert Trigano, who supplied tents for the first camp in 1950, stayed on until 1993, then handed over to his son Serge - not the best formula for moving with the market. M. Bourguinon will close camps, convert more to the cheaper Club Aquarius label and doubtless are accumulated indulgences. That would suit investors but may leave Club Med as just a package operator in a tough market.

### A world apart

GUSSIES has always had an other-worldly air, even if the gap with the rest of the twentieth century is gradually closing. Great Universal Stores, until yesterday, had no finance direcfor, the post of chief executive is unfilled, and may remain so in perpetuity. Other quoted com-panies might be envious. How-ever, as GEC has shown, you can get away with much if you are

# Thorn sheds 360 jobs on Radio Rentals closures

THORN, the rentals group that issued a profit warning last month, is to shut 90 Radio Rentals stores and make 360 staff redundant.

The move follows an announcement this month by Granada that it is to shut around 100 of its rental stores, a move that puts hundreds of jobs at risk. Around 210 jobs will go at

the 90 smaller Radio Rentals stores that are earmarked for closure by the company and the remaining 150 will go from Thorn's central support

The redundancies, most of which are likely to be compulsory, should produce savings of between £6 million and £6.5

The closures will reduce the

Radio Rentals chain to 530

Thorn shares rose 162p, to 203p, on news of the cost-cutting, in spite of a fall in profits in the first nine months of this financial year. Pre-tax profit, including ex-

ceptional charges, in the nine months to December 31 was £76.1 million, down from £113.9 million previously. The provisions cover liabilities relating to the closure of Escom UK stores and demerger charges relating to the busi-ness's split with EMI last year. No further provisions will be needed to pay for the redun-dancies. Excluding the excep-tional items, pre-tax profit rose to £123 million, from £113.9

posed increase in Insurance Premium Tax from 2.5 per cent to 17.5 per cent from April I is expected to knock up to £10 million off Thorn's profits in

1997-98. The company plans to continue with the roll-out of its Crary George's rental stores in the UK, and it hopes to have 60 open by the end of the financial year.

However, controversy in France last year over the opening, near Paris, of the first branch of Crazy George's in that country has effectively wrecked that trial of the format, a spokesman said. We wanted the store to be a trial, but the scale of the publicity has ruined it," he said. "We

France and the rest of continental Europe."
In the United States, busi-

ness has been hit by a sluggish market and tough price competition from consumer electronics retailers. Thorn said that it is launching its own promotional programmes to reward customer

Fourth-quarter trading resuits will feel the impact of the stronger sterling, which will reduce the value of non-UK profits. Thorn repeated its forecast that its full-year profit before tax and exceptional items will be broadly unchanged from last year's proforma equivalent of £170.7

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### Regal set to reap | Wolfson favours White Hart reward GUS over Next

By ALASDAIR MURRAY

said that the first stage of the integration of the White Hart chain of hotels is complete and it will now be stepping up

its marketing campaign.
The company quadrupled in size to \$2 botels when it bought the 60-strong chain from Granada for £122 million early last year. Charles Vere Nicoll, executive chairman, said that margins are beginning to improve at the former Forte chain and that the full benefits of the acquisition should flow through this year. Regal is also intending to revamp around 20 per cent

of its room stock over the year. The company unveiled a 250 per cent increase in profits, excluding tax and excep-tional items, to £10.35 million. Total sales increased 270 per cent to £66 million while earnings per share increased

REGAL HOTELS GROUP 38 per cent to 4.68p. Occupancy levels across the group rose by 4.9 percentage points, although the average room rate decreased 4.1 per cent. Gearing was reduced from a high of 75 per cent last May to 68 per cent

at the year end. Regal added that its first three theme bars had proved a success and it is aiming to add six new sites this year. But the company is intending to con-vert only one hotel to the Country Inns & Suites brand. for which it acquired franchise rights from Carlson, the privately owned leisure group.

Regal shares rose ip to 64-3p, compared with a rights issue price of 42p at the time of the White Hart acquisition. The total dividend was doubled to ip, with a final of 0.675p payable on March 26.

By Sarah Cunningham

LORD WOLFSON of Sunningdale has signalled that he intends to give up the chair-manship of Next within a year to concentrate on running Great Universal Stores, the mail order group (See Pennington, this page). Lord Wolfson said: "I spend

very little time with Next and am full time with GUS. I suppose this will last for a fairly limited period, maybe another year." He stepped down from

being executive to non-executive chairman of Next, where he and David Jones, chief executive, are credited with engineering its recovery, when he became executive chairman of GUS last August.

He said that GUS and Next are not yet direct competitors, but would become so "if and when GUS gets into direct mail brand catalogues". Lord

Wolfson was speaking yesterday as he revealed boardroom changes at GUS, which included the appointment of David Tyler as group finance director — a post that did not previously exist. previously exist.

Company advisers suggested the finance director role had been created at the suggestion of institutional investors. However, Lord Wolfson said there had been no pressure. Previously, the chairman and deputy chairman oversaw financial matters through a finance committee.

Mr Tyler's last position was as commercial and finance director of Christle's. Also appointed yesterday were David Bury as group commercial director and treasurer of GUS and Louise Patten, as a non-executive director. These appointments were to replace directors who have retired.

### Cloning experiment boosts PPL

tics rose 524p to 3874p as the market digested the news that the Scottish genetic engineering comhas successfully

Details of the experiment, conducted with the Roslin Institute in Edinburgh, are to be published this week in Nature, the scientific journal.
PPL, which came to the

market at 450p last June, was previously best known for its "transpenie" production of human pro-teins in the milk of sheep.

### Future hopes

Future Integrated Teletor that joined the Alternative Investment Market in November, said that it should return to profit by April. The company said the loss of £29,000 (£105,000 profit) in the six months to November 30 reflected heavy invest-ment, and would be offset with profits it was making now. Sales rose to £2.12 million (EL64 million).

### Cash injection

Fl Retail Holdings, which has 15 shops dedicated to motor racing parapherna-lia, is raising £500,000 on the Ofex market. It wants the extra cash to open another 25 stores by the



# for growth

BY ALASDAIR MURRAY

PIZZAEXPRESS aims to open a further 25 restaurants before the year end as the company continues to expand away from its London base.

The group opened 16 sites during the first half, including sites in Belfast and Lytham,

In the six months to December 31, pre-tax profits increased 54 per cent to £6.3 million as the company benefited from new openings and an increase in like-for-like sales. Overall turnover rose 57 per cent to £30.6 million.

The group acquired 29 fran-chised sites at the end of November for £25 million. In the seven weeks to December 31 these restaurants produced profits of £440,000 on sales of £2.2 million.

The company now owns a total of 119 restaurants and eight franchises. PizzaExpress said 40 per cent of the chain had been open for less than two years and should continue to show year-on-year growth. It is also aiming to accelerate its overseas expansion efforts having recently signed five franchise agreements.

PizzaExpress added that trading is brisk and that it is confident of a successful outcome to the year. Shares in the company closed up 2p at 560½ p, compared with a rights issue price of 425p at the time of the franchise buy-back. The interim dividend rises 21 per cent to 0.85p a share, payable on April 7.

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# Recruitment specialist to float

BY FRASER NELSON

HARVEY NASH, a recruitment consultancy specialising in computer operators, is coming to the main market next month via a placing which should value the company at £45 million.

The company was set up nine years ago by David Higgens, Tom Crawford and David Treacher, who left Lloyd Chatman Associates and founded Harvey Nash with their own savings. The three, who are joint managing directors of the company, are now on course to share a paper fortune of £27 million. Tom Crawford remortgaged his house workers to leave permanent employment

to finance his share of the start-up. He for contract work, where they can often said: "It was some decision to take. We did wonder whether we'd done the right thing. We saw that computers would play an increasingly important role in business, which was quite an easy asumption, but it would have been hard to predict that the industry would go through the boom were seeing now."

The company is expecting to return sales of £35 million for the year to January

31, an increase of 50 per cent. It predicts

that the shortage of computer operators

will become more acute, lifting average

salaries in the industry and encouraging

double their salary. More than 20 per cent of revenue comes

from overseas offices in Stuttgart and Zurich. The company expects the shortage of computer staff will encourage other European countries to loosen their labour regulations, and it plans to open more continental offices in preparation for this. Harvey Nash plans to raise little more

than its floration costs through the placing, and come to the market when an investment opportunity presents itself. It eventually plans to provide its headhunting and contracting services to the

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# Pilkington gloom lifts as shares edge forward

Pilkington, Britain's biggest glassmaker, suggests that some good news may be on the way at last for hard-pressed shareholders.

The price ended 5p dearer at 141p as almost ten million shares changed hands. Currently they are hovering just above their low for the year of 130p, with figures due towards the end of March.

SBC Warburg, the broker, is said to have taken out one large buyer who is reckoned to have been overhanging the market for some weeks. A line of 2.64 million shares that went through at 138p on the ticker seemed to underline

Analysts say trading re-mains difficult in Europe with prices under pressure. They say Pilkington is now looking vulnerable at these levels and refuse to rule out the possibility of a US bid.

The rest of the equity market made a cautious start to the week, with the investors looking anxiously towards Thursday's Wirrall south byelection and a clutch of trading statements from various blue chio companies.

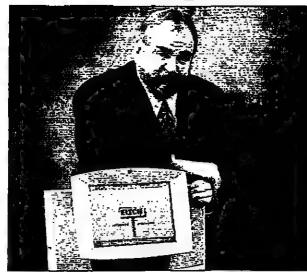
Another strong start by the Dow Jones industrial average in New York enabled prices in London to close above their worst of the day. The FT-SE 100 index rallied from an early 21-point fall to finish 5.7 off at 4,331.1. Turnover was a meagre 679 million shares. Exdividends in SmithKline Beecham, down 1112p at 91012p, Barclays, 3212p off at £10.96. Lloyds TSB, 12p easier at 502p, and others accounted

for a ten-point fall. Yorkshire Electricity responded to news of the El.5 billion joint bid from two US power companies with a leap of 6312p to 882p. That compares with the terms from American Electric Power and Public Services Colorado of 927p a share. The bid must be approved by the regulator.

That leaves just Southern Electric, up 2312p at 770p, as the remaining independent regional electricity company.

sector, official trading began in shares of Energy Group, hived off from Hanson as part of a four-way demerger. The group, which consists of East-US, finished 4312p dearer at 5681ap on turnover of almost five million shares. "New" Hanson, comprising

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building products activities, closed ip dearer at 281p. The bid for Yorkshire Electricity left near neighbour Yorkshire Water 1312p cheaper at 71612p with the speculators ruling out a merger

between the two utilities. The rest of the water com-

panies were marked higher as doubts grew about a Labour Government's ability to im-

Benson's new retail team. Boots also rose 12p to 69912p. although Kleinwort only rates the shares a "hold".

PPL Therapeuties stood out with a jump of 5212p at 38712p after signing up a licensing Institute, which has developed a method of cloning sheep.

There seems to be no stop-ping Shield Diagnostics. The

Williams Holdings has been doing its best to reassure institutional shareholders about earnings growth following its recent £1.3 billion acquisition of Chubb Security. One buyer paid 321p for a line of five million shares, a premium of 11p on the ruling price at the time. It closed 10p dearer at 318 p.

pose a windfall tax on profits. Anglian Water rose op to 044p, Thames Water 912p to 68412p. South West Water 712p to 69112p. United Utilities op to 667 ap, and Hyder 312p to 835p.

Profit-taking left Zeneca 2412p lower at £18.71 after their recent strong run.

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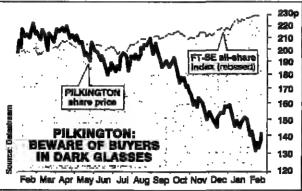
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United News & Media firmed 1612p to 704p with David Arculus quitting Emap as managing director to become the group's new chief

MAID rose 36p to 19812p after agreeing to transfer its hotel internet technology to the 4th Network Inc for \$7.5

Racal Electronics touched 30112p before closing 9p better at 297p after reports that Sir Ernest Harrison, chairman, planned to break the business up. In the past, Racal has demerged its Chubb Security Vodafone divisions. Vodafone firmed 3p to 288p.

Third-quarter figures from Thorn were in line with expectations after last month's profits warning and the shares responded with a rise of 1612p at 203p. The market reacted positively to the news that 90 Radio Rentals shops are to close. EMI, the other half of the demerged company, fell 40p to £11,95 ahead of third-quarter figures today.

The market gave a cool response to full-year figures from Fitch, the design services group headed by Martin Beck. chairman and chief executive. it made a return to the dividend list for the first time in five years. Pre-tax profits grew from El.53 million to E1.84 million, with shareholders rewarded with a 12p payour. The share dipped from 481 p to 461 2p.

Sedgwick, the insurance broker, slipped 312p to 128p on the back of a "sell" recommendation from Nikko, the Japanese securities house.

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### **Building Hanson trust**

THIRTEEN months after Lord Hanson announced the break-up of his creation, the Hanson demerger is complete. In the process, shareholders who stuck with the company and its successors will have lost more than one-quarter of their investment. Instead of one Hanson share worth about 205p, they now own shares in four companies - The Energy Group, Imperial Tobacco, Millennium Chemicals and "new" Hanson - which

are together worth the equivalent of 151p. The total has been dragged down by the US-listed Millennium, which has faced selling from UK shareholders, However, Imperial Tobacco made a bright market debut, and Energy ended its first day's trading up 43½p at 568½p.

The fundamental problem centres on Hanson itself. The demerger has shown how much advantage the group took from its nimble tax planning. But as well as a higher tax charge, new Hanson must also battle with doubts over its balance sheet and its strategy.

Hanson's pro forma shareholder funds of £562 million are dwarfed by £1.75 billion of provisions to cover US environmental and other liabilities. Unless it can provide more detail, this is likely to revive doubts about cashflow and accounting policies.

Hanson owns some strong businesses in markets that are broadly recovering. However, it will take time to convince investors that it has lost its hunger for the big deal.

Analysts at BZW reckon that, even at a 25 per cent discount to the sector, Hanson shares should be able to command a price of 340p. Although that makes yesterday's close of 281'2p look cheap, it could be months before the market overcomes its doubts.

British Aerospace BRITISH AEROSPACE and GEC are running rings around each other like pubescent teenagers. Should they or shouldn't they get together, they ponder. What are our

mates doing? Isn't it a bit early for a full-blown relationship? What if I get hurt? All we know for certain is that the two wallflowers have been caught snogging behind the bike shed a few times. Talks have taken place, they admit. A BAe-GEC wedding is the brain-child of Lord Weinstock, who cannot be blamed for

the current pussyfooting. pushes during his GEC reign, but the irresistible attraction was not mutual. George Simpson, his successor, could now step out of his shadow in one swift move if he got BAe

off the fence and into bed.

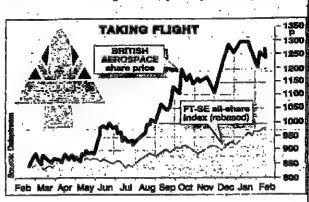
Compare these consolidation dramas with the gusto and panache with which the more mature American aerospace industry has reinvented itself over the last three years. The merger between Boeing and McDonneil Douglas is the American equivalent of a BAe-GEC tie-

up. The difference, though, is

that the US wedding was

arranged with speed and elegance. Taking a macro view, it almost doesn't matter whether BAe and GEC choose each other as partners or find, alternative

Like teenage love, carlyis currently happening in Europe will be superceded by later partnerships.



### Thorn

THORN emerged from behind its big brother EMI last

year looking frail and un-kempt. The decision to shut 90 UK stores is the first sign that Thorn intends to spruce

its problems are many and complex. In Britain it has to cope with fewer people renting televisions and videos, and with resistance to the idea of hiring kitchen tables, sofas and the like from the inappropriately named Radio Regrals

In France it had a barrage of bad publicity when it opened a branch of Crazy George's, the brasher version of Radio Rentals, near Paris. The French considered the concept of renting household goods to be in dubious taste, and Radio Rentals now admits that the criticism effectively scuppered the trial. This hopes of a swift roll-out of the chain on the Continent.

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still wrapped up in legal disputes and is facing vicious discounting by goods retailers.

The decision to focus on Crazy George's in the UK and on expanding the US business into rural areas is sensible, but probably means more pain for Radio Rentals. with more closures likely. It will also be a while before it is clear if Thorn's strategy is working. In the meantime, one to avoid.

### Regal Hotels

REGAL HOTELS very nearly acquired the White Hart chain of hotels for a steal from a desperate Forte last year. Granada's victory in the bid battle ensured that the price the company ultimately paid was more demanding, but as yesterday's results demonstrate, it does

year cutting costs at the White Hart chain, a move In America the company is that has ensured the hotel

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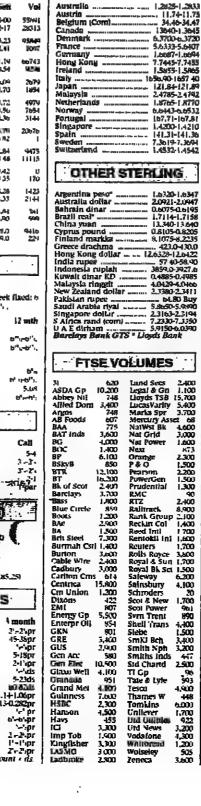
profit contribution rose from 21.6 per cent to 28.3 per cent. The company now needs to prove it can succeed where Forte failed, attracting more custom and commanding higher rates through renovation and an improved marketing campaign.

Regal also has plans on the back burner that should really kick in once the revitalisation of the White Hart chain is complete. The company is keen to improve the food and beverage spend within the hotels and has had success with a branding exercise that will be expanded to a total of nine units this year. There is also the franchise deal with Carlson for the Country Inns & Suite brand. Regal will be looking for partners for new builds, restricting its risk to the operating side of the business.

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### Doomsday lasts all night

IT WAS an early start to the week for Christopher Garnett Handing out refund claim forms at King's Cross station on Sunday night, the chief executive of GNER was doing his best to appease the hordes of harassed passengers after their heavily delayed journey from Edinburgh. Wind had blown down

powerlines, passengers had been misinformed, and the buffet had sold out. Accompanied by his daughter, who was on her way back to teacher training college in Dur-ham, Garnett had prised himself from his house in

"It was a doomsday scenario," he tells me. From 6.30pm, he worked through the night, before jumping on an early morning train to York, his home for three days a week. "My daughter told me that it was easier teaching eight-year-olds than dealing with ag-grieved passengers," says

### Hanson winner

THE winner of the 1996 Hanson Achievement Award works for ... East-ern Electricity. Lord Hanson and Derek Bonham, Hanson's departing depu-ty chairman, turned up in person yesterday to congratulate Jacqui Harding, who is a customer services call centre manager at Eastern Electricity, which is part of the Energy Group that yesterday broke away from the industrial conglomerate. Sir Iain Vallance, BT chairman, was there to hand



this office to America"

### Calling the shots TONY BLAIR and Tony

Banks crossed swords on Saturday on the launch of Radio Chelsea. Squeezed into a tiny studio with host David Mellor, the Labour MP let it be known that be had recently won at 66-1 on Chelsea to beat Liverpool 4-2 Faster than you can say Gianfranco Zola, Blair set to find out what Banks is betting on the election. Banks shot back: "I don't vote on elections, only on important issues.

BAMBI. Is it a deer? No. it's a "\*\*\*\* awful MBI". The latest edition of Venturespeak 2000, a light-hearted A-Z of terms published by 3i for the venture capital industry. informs me that this is hen a management buyn goes wrong.

Jet-setters

THE Gold brothers have launched their own private flight charter. Ralph and his younger brother. David, see Gold Air International as a solution to their heightened fears over flight safety standards. The airborne siblings, who both boast a pilot's licence. have so far invested £2 million in the operation at Biggin Hill Kent (David won the Malta Air Rally on three occasions.) The airline currently comprises two small planes and in addition has access to to two jets. With 90 companies under their wing the Golds' next big project is the flotation of Birmingham City Football Club. The airtice will certainly make a difference when it comes to away

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Judy Ledger with her daughter Sara, husband Tim, and sons James, back left, and Richard at a special baby care unit in Wolverhampton

# Charity's brief but unwelcome brush with the price of fame

hen Judy Ledger picked up a newspaper last Au-gust she had one of the shocks of her life. Baby Lifeline, the charity that she had formed 15 years previously after losing three prematurely born children in infancy, was featured in banner headlines as facing an investigation by the

Charity Commissioners.

The article said that the charity had spent 83 per cent of the money it had raised on administration and only a fraction on the intensive-care equipment for babies that it was hoping to buy for hospitals. Ms Ledger, a former nurse, saw her life's work collapsing before her eyes.

in fact, Baby Lifeline was facing an evaluation by the Commissioners, which tends to follow a complaint. There were 1,255 of these in 1995 and only 255 of them led on to full investigations. And the Commissioners admit that all they did was to give Baby Lifeline advice on its administration and presentation.

Baby Lifeline was exposed to the full glare of publicity because of its relationship with one particularly famous patron, Sophie Rhys-Jones, the girlinend of Prince Edward. Ms Rhys-Jones was working as national projects co-ordinator for the charity having been introduced to Baby Lifeline by Brian Maclaurin, a public relations man and her boss at the time. Charities like to be associated with celebrities because it brings free coverage in the media, and most celebrities like to ally themselves with charities to give themselves a caring image.

Sophie was working with me exclusively for just one day a week," Ms Ledger recalls. "Her involvement brought a huge amount of publicity. Up until then it had been good but after this story there started to be bad

The charity's corporate sponsors were unsettled, though ultimately supportive. Saleway, the supermarket chain, was the only one to withdraw its backing but it returned to the fold as soon as it was able to convince itself that everything was in order. It is now sponsoring the latest Baby Lifeline promotion - Mother & Baby Week that runs from 2 March.

However, the reaction from the man in the street was bad. The charity has a Jason Nissé on the misguided headlines that brought heartbreak to Baby Lifeline

decentralised structure, with a small head office in Coventry staffed by only three people, and 40 satellite groups run by volunteers. The groups collect money directly from the public and saw a dramatic falling off in the amount they were collecting. "One person came up to a collector and said: I'm not giving any money to you, you're all embezzlers'.

The fact was that Baby Lifeline had done nothing wrong. Its only crime was naivety in an increasingly cut-throat charity business. Ms Ledger believes that the accounts were leaked to the press by a rival charity. Even though the two charities are not doing the same work they found themselves going to the same sources for money and the leak strategy was attractive because Baby Lifeline's accounts for 1995 look quite bad.

The charity was expanding and had a large scale launch at the Royal Albert Hall featuring celebrities, among them Dame Judi Dench and Anne Dia-

instead of separating this expense out in its books, Baby Lifeline included the costs and income in the profit and loss account so that it looked like it was spending a fortune on promotions. n top of this most of the money collected comes from the local groups. But they

was to move us from being a very small

charity to a national one," says Ms

Ledger. The cost of the event was

underwritten by Lloyds Chemists. But

keep 80 per cent of what they collect, and give all of this to local hospitals, so that only one fifth went through Baby Lifeline's accounts. Of this about half would go on expenses and the other half to good causes. But the accounts were presented in such a way as to make it look as though Baby Lifeline spent 50 per cent on administration, not 10 per cent.

After talking to the Charity Commissioners, Ms Ledger made changes. The charity swapped accountants to Leigh



Working partnership: Sophie Rhys-Jones, left, and Judy Ledger

Christou, a firm that specialises in charity work, and KPMG has offered assistance. The board of the charity has also been changed adding in a medical advisory council and a high-powered business advisory group - the first member of which, Alan Jones of TNT, the distribution company, has been recruited. Ms Ledger is now looking to employ a professional fundraiser to manage the group's national projects.

As she points out the charity busi-ness has changed substantially in the 15 years since Baby Lifeline began. In those days the charity looked to any source it could for money and it was all rolled into a single pot. Today there are a host of charities competing for the "compassionate pound" and charities use all manner of means to promote themselves heavily, most usually by working with corporate sponsors.

Charities will approach a company to underwrite a promotion, or offer free advertising or services. For instance, supermarket carrier bags often carry charity advertisements. Help-Ads, an innovative scheme to raise money for the Red Cross, sells advertising space on the back of products or, lately, on sports teams's shirts to related products, and takes the income. In the next few weeks Baby Lifeline will launch an affinity credit card backed by Bank of

Ms Ledger expects that this year the charity will cover all its administrative costs from corporate backing. This means that money taken directly from the public goes straight to the charity. And the way of raising money has become more sophisticated. There are still people on street corners with collecting time, but more and more is coming from give-as-you-earn schemes or covenants, both of which attract tax relief for those giving, or from bequests, with many charities offering free will-making kits to encourage this. For Baby Lifeline the short, sharp shock it received has left it stronger in

the end. But there has been one notable casualty. "Sophie, understandably, has to distance herself," Ms Ledger says. diplomatically. "She's no longer involved to the level she was." ☐ Baby Lifeline can be contacted at Empathy Enterprise Building, Bramston Crescent, Tile Hill Lane, Tile Hill, Coventry CV4 95W; or telephone 01203 44135



### Dangling the carrot of independence

The City's teenage scribblers are now 30something but, from pabit, still wary of Labour. In the face of Labour's huge poll lead, they have taken some solace in making dire predictions about the economic legacy likely to face a victorious Gordon Brown.

Taxes, the conventional wisdom has it, will have to be raised sharply to return the public finances to health. and interest rates will have to be increased emphatically to head off another cycle of boom and bust. If anything, rates will be higher under have been under Ken Clarke because Labour has to prove its anti-inflation credentials.

But none of this is necessarily the case. After last week's news of a huge some City voices are becoming relatively optimistic on the public finances. And

there are good reasons to think that interest rate expectations pessimistic. Labour's monetary policy enters the spotlight

speech from Mr Brown tomorrow on inflation. He is expected to reveal his inflation target likely to be unchanged from the current one - and will flesh out Labour's relationship with the Bank of England. For now, little substantive change is expected. There will still be monthly monetary meetings with a few presentational

decisions will be announced

directly after each meeting

but this is not much different

from now when it is pretty obvious within 24 hours

whether rates have moved.

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Where Labour does seem to offer something different is in its plans for Bank advice to be broadened. A Monetary Policy Committee, comprising three or four outside experts as well as the Governor, Deputy Governor and two other Bank directors, would be set up. Another source of non-Bank influence would come from a re-formed Court including members from industry, the unions and the regions. which would oversee the

Labour sells this 'depersonalising" the current process but this seems trivial compared with the real purpose — that is to break down the monotheism of the Bank's current statutory role, which is

Quite rightly. Labour is keen to develop a Federal Reserve-type dual role for the Bank, asking it to pro-mote growth as well as fight inflation. Labour's formula moves in this direction without an explicit growth target, which would be opposed by

the Bank This is blameless evolution. But it is not nearly as important as the tactical fact that Labour means to remain in charge of rates as long as it sees fit but is, at the same time, dangling the carrot of independence in front of the Bank, dependent on its track record.

Far from Labour not being able to afford to defy Eddie George, this "virtue but not yet" approach to monetary policy puts the Bank on the defensive. Not only will the Bank be on notice to behave - it already scems

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Labour's real purpose is to break down the monotheism of the Bank's current statutory role

> Mr George, whose job is due for review next year. Such considerations aside, there are good economic reasons to believe that rates should not have to rise dramatically. Not least is the fact that the inflation outlook is benign, as both Mr Clarke and now the Bank publicly acknowledge. It is sterling's strength that has been most influential, and which suggests that the brunt of slowing the economy, if necessary, should fall on the fiscal, not the mone-

Higher rates would make the pound even stronger and just imagine a situation in which monetary union is postponed, the mark soars and European rates are slashed. Even if we believe that the fiscal position is brighter than it was, it would be harder to cut British rates and limit the pound's strength if there was a perception of fiscal laxity.

in any case, tighter fiscal, rather than monetary, policy is intrinsically attractive to give Labour more leeway for spending programmes and to rebalance the economy away from consumption. None of this suggests that Labour will be looking down the barrel of an interest-rate shotzun aimed from Threadneedle Street.

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### Carrying the can for takeover leaks

From Mr M. J. Ward Sir, Pennington has put his finger precisely on the point where responsibility should lie for the kind of leaks that disturb the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers and other City authorities ( The eleventh commandment", February 5): If firms such as Citigate are found to have given information to affect a takeover bid battle then their principal, in this case Triplex, should carry the can. No professional pub-

lic relations practitioner would give any information of this kind without a nod of approval from the client. The remedy in case of any breach should be censure of the client who, in turn, would do well to throw the PR firm overboard. Institute of Public Relations

members found guilty of such a breach could face a complaint and possible disciplinary action under their code of conduct. The City and the Panel should encourage the use of consultancies fronted by IPR members covered by the code. In turn, I am sure that the IPR would respond positively to requests to strengthen the financial expertise of its Professional Practices Committee.

Yours faithfully, MJ. WARD, 5 The Lane. Blackheath Park, SE3.

### Interest rates must come down to avoid bloodletting of British industry

From Mr Austin Mitchell, MP for Great Grimsby (Labour)

Sir, The Governor of the Bank of England knows so little of economics or of the real world of making and selling things. that he just cannot understand the role of the exchange

eapon against inflation. In fact it is damaging to manu-

facturing, and the consequences are already evident in reported losses and profit falls. That can only be the beginning when it takes up to a year for the consequences of exchange rate changes to come through.

It is axiomatic that if the exchange rate rises, either rates are too high. The exchange rate can only be "competitive" when we can balance

Scheme — for example, fund-

ing a series of events taking

place over a number of years.

The first round of Sector

Challenge has been a huge

success, with just over 600

outline bids for support in a

our trade in conditions of full employment at a high and stable rate of growth. On any sane non-gubernatorial view, the huge rise in our exchange rate is clear evidence that interest

rates must come down by 2 to 3 per cent immediately if we are not to see a third bloodletting of British industry just as Labour comes to power.

Doesn't the Governor realise that unless the exchange

rate is competitive, imports rise, exports suffer and manu facturing cannot generate the profits it needs to invest and grow? This nation still lives by manufacturing, and weakening it relegates us to a permanent balance of payments deficit, high unemployment and a permanent public sector

Yours faithfully AUSTIN MITCHELL House of Commons, SW1.

### Sector Challenge extends scope of Government help to exporters under the Trade Fairs Support

From the Minister for Trade

Sir, Tony Langford's letter on trade fairs of February 13 misses the point as to why we have introduced Sector Challenge as a means of enhancing UK competitiveness. This includes the important aspect of successful export promotion.

The Government considers it important to encourage our exporters to attend overseas trade fairs. We will continue to provide funds for a substantial number of trade fairs each

However, it is important that we ensure that the money is channelled to firms in the best possible way. The Sector Challenge encourages businesses to pro-

pose new ways of using

Government assistance which

would not have been possible

range of projects including trade promotion. The Trade Fair Support Scheme has always been oversubscribed and potential sponsors have to take part in an annual bidding round. The 300 successful TFSS bids for 1997-98 were announced

recently. A further 60 bids for trade fair support were made under the first round of the Sector Challenge. Some of these take a broader strategic and innovative approach to the needs of their sectors as a whole and this is the type of bid which

Sector Challenge will encourage in relation to trade promotion. The advisory panel has asked for about half of these initial applicants to work up their proposals in further detail. Final consideration for funding will take place in March

Naturally we will review in the light of the first Sector Challenge how best to provide for future trade fair support within subsequent I very much hope business-

es will continue to exploit the Government's support for trade fairs as a promotional vehicle for their products. Yours faithfully, ANTHONY NELSON. Minister for Trade, Department of Trade and

### Either way, we all pay in the end

From Mr Terence J. Howes

Sir. You report (Business News, January 31) that Mr Ian Byatt, Director-General of Ofwat, is "concerned that this lcutting of rebates to customers) could benefit shareholders at the expense of customers". I had not realised that these were two different human species. Are there any shareholders who are not also customers?

We are often asked "why should the taxpayer subsidise the council tax payer?" - or the other way round. Either way, we all pay in the end. Yours faithfully, TERENCE J. HOWES 4 Prestbury Drive, Warminster,

### Alliance & Leicester offers the best distribution of shares to members

From Mr Michael Hardern

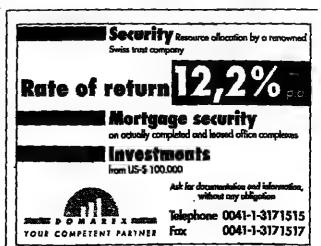
Sir, Your report of the Alliance & Leicester Action Group's last stand (February 4) brings some sympathy. The essence of their complaint is that they feel they were misled into leaving large sums in accounts at uncompetitive interest rates in the expectation of a greater windfall.

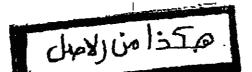
Alliance & Leicester has come out with by far the best distribution. Five out of six members get bigger windfalls. 80 per cent of savers and all borrowers are better off, while 50 per cent of savers and all borrowers get bonuses 50 per cent larger than under Halifax

or Woolwich formulas. Alliance also allowed members to top up their accounts so they were not caught out by an announcement without the

Letters (February 4) touched on a "windfall tax on windfalls". Societies have not taken up the Demos think-tank suggestion that they give charity windfalls of 5 to 10 per cent for those not fortunate to have an account let alone a windfall. If the taxman steps in, they will have only themselves to blame.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL HARDERN, 3 Rathbone Street.





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# Hustler wins a place on the top shelf

The story of porn publisher Larry Flynt has landed Best Film at the Berlin festival. Geoff Brown reports

I you get through this film, you'll never need drugs again: these were the words of the American experimentalist Ken Jacobs. as some of the audience started to shuffle out during Disorient Express. Jacobs's film takes a train ride shot early in the century and proreverse, side by side with its mirror image and, just occasionally, the right way up. Needless to say. Disorient

Express was not entered in competition at Berlin; it found its proper niche in the Forum for Young Cinema, famous home of the challenging and the impossible. Those competing for the Golden and Silver Bears were of a more conservative cast. There were too few surprises, and a few too many mechanical exercises, like Claude Berri's Resistance drama Lucie Aubrac - two hours of Carole Bouquet and Daniel Auteuil pulling stoical faces.

The jury responded with a mixed bag of prizes. In the absence of any masterpiece, Milos Forman's The People vs. Larry Flynt was an acceptable choice as best film, and Tsai Ming-Liang's The River is the kind of film for which special jury prizes were invented. As for direction, the suave eccentricity of Raoul Ruiz was well showcased by Genealogies of a Crime, although this was scarcely his most engaging film. One wonders too if Eric Heumann's direction of Port Djema would have looked so impressive without his use of Angelopoulos's cameraman, Yorgos Arvanitis. The jury's deliberations became particularly perverse over The Eng-lish Patient, which picked up the Best Actress prize, but for the wrong actress: the person you watch is Kristin Scott Thomas, rather than Juliette

But there were always exceptions. One might have expected more than a special mention from the jury for Life is All You Get, the most entry of all. The most surprising, too, since you do not usually look to Germany for fleet-footed comedy. Wolfgang Becker's film takes a sidelong look at love unemployment and dysfunctional family life in today's Berlin, a city in perpetual flux. But there is enough gossamer film craft. Jürgen Vogel's hero, to make the film travel well.

Critical opinion was more divided over Tsai's The River.

His first two films, Rebel of the Neon Gods and Vive l'amour, established him as a kind of punk Antonioni, brilliant at depicting urban alienation. The River follows Vive l'amour by pushing the viewer to the edge of exasperation, but pulls back from the brink through humour, tenderness and an array of sights hard to forget. Male bodies in shadow enjoy themselves in a gay sauna: only gradually do we realise they belong, unwittingly, to father and son. The son is the central character, plagued with mysterious neck pains after immersion in a filthy river. The father's problems relate mostly to the water flooding through the ceiling from the upstairs flat. Is the water a symbol and, if so, of what? No answer is required: this is a Post-Modern art movie, fractured but poignant,

fit for the 21st century.
Other Chinese-language competition entries offered less challenging pleasures.
Surveillance, directed by Huang Jianxin and Yang Yazhou, found gentle comedy and romance in a story about two surveillance men locked in a tower waiting for a crimi-



"In the absence of any masterpiece, The People vs. Larry Flynt was an acceptable choice as best film": Courtney Love in the Golden Bear winner

nal's appearance. And Yim Ho pleased many with Kitchen, a skilfully wrought portrait of the hesitations and confusions of modern relationships.

Brazil played a strong hand with Bruno Barreto's Four Days in September, a solid, atmospheric, involving ac-count of the kidnapping of America's Ambassador in Rio de Janeiro in 1969 by naive young terrorists anxious to make their stand against a repressive regime. Through excellent acting, wry humour and a sharp awareness of human frailty, Barreto achieves what Berri signally

### THE BERLIN FILM FESTIVAL WINNERS

Best Film (Golden Bear) .....The People vs. Larry Flynt Special Jury Prize (Silver Bear) ...... Best Director ....... Shared by Raoul Ruiz (Genealogies of a Crime) and Eric Heumann (Port Djema)

Best Actor ...... Leonardo DiCaprio (William Shakespeare's Romeo + Juliet) Juliette Binoche (The English Patient) Best Actress ......

fails to do in Lucie Aubrac: he Romeo + Juliet. Baz Luhr-The most energetic entry from the American contingent.

was William Shakespeare's

mann's eagerly awaited fol-low-up to Strictly Ballroom. Shakespeare's romantic tragedy is catapulted straight into

contemporary Verona Beach, America, home to gas station shootoois, Hispanic frenzy, buzzing helicopters and a camp masked ball. If you

prefer Elizabethan verse spoken with true understanding, this will not be for you. But if you want dynamic images, brazen cheek and two starcrossed lovers jubilant with beauty, youth and passion. Luhrmann and his leads Leonardo DiCaprio (voted Best Actor) and Claire Danes deliver the goods.

New films from Spike Lee and John Singleton gift-wrap ess desirable nems. Lee's Get on the Bus rattled many nerves with its worshipful portrait of African Americans travelling to Washington DC for the Million Man March of

1995. "This whole thing is sexist and exclusionary," one of their wives says in the opening minutes. The grievance aired, Lee feels free to let his all-male busload talk and talk. The film allows a natural outlet for Lee's sermonising, but it hardly makes for com-pelling drama. The film shines; however, next to Rosewood, John Singleton's overheated response to a recently excavated tragedy of 1922, when racism and envy led to a prosperous black community in Florida being burnt and lynched by white trash.

Elsewhere, the American independents plied their trade with the expected films about aimless youth, gender-bend-ing and life's seedier side. In a crowded field, Alex Sichel's All Over Me stood out for its vivacity, technical sheen and sensitivity to the growing pains of teenage girls.

he festival's annual showcase of new German product revealed nothing as impressive as Becker's Life is All You Get. and nothing decisive from the old-guard directors. Volker Schlöndorff got himself lost in the portentous Euro-mess of The Ogre. Wim Wenders marked time, albeit charmingly, with The Brothers Skladanowsky, an impish recreation of the life and works of Berlin's film pioneers who presented their first public programme in November 1895, six weeks before the

Lumière show in Paris. The most prominent German director on show, however, was G.W. Pabst, subject of an excellent retrospective. Pabst is known for a run of classic titles made from the mid-1920s to the early 1930s, including Pandora's Box, Dia-

ry of a Lost Girl, and Westfront 1918: films that take a hard look at social conditions on the city streets, in the trenches or down the mines. But during a long career he made much else besides, duly unveiled here, often in new

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### CONCERTS: Minimal explosions to maximum effect; plus a welcome visitor

A GLANCE at the worklist of Pierre Boulez reveals a disconcerting number of composi-tions "withdrawn" or "in progress": few. composers have been as rigorously, almost obsessively, self-critical. A work of his called ...

explosante-fire ... was given its world premiere in 1972 by the London Sinfonietta; 25 years on, the same ensemble was giving the London pre-miere of a work bearing the same name but now appearing in another guise. The title encapsulates the kinetic/static fields through

which the music moves: it belongs, in the phrase of the programme-note writer, Paul Griffiths, "in this energetic state of a trapped detonation". The elliptical dots are thus an integral part of the title, suggesting the unfinished, the continuous, the transitory,

in fact, two of the work's sections are actually called Transitoire. They are the two

### nance was added to the title

Benjamin

each followed by an interstitiel, and the whole rounded off with an Original - a kind of coda that reduces down to melodic essentials. The predominant sonority is that of the flute: a principal flute (played by the excellent Sophie Cherrier) is closely shadowed by two more whose role it is to mediate between the principal and the other members of the ensemble. That instrumentation, together with its computer enhancement, lends the texture a sensuous quality and an unexpected consistency.

### Shortly after the start of the performance, a further reso-

Magic abounding

THE last time Heinz Holliger conducted the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra in Symphony Hall it was as a stand-in for Roger Norrington in a programme not of his own devising. Even so, he won the confidence of the orchestra and, evidently. an invitation to come back with a programme designed to

In the event, he chose to draw on the Swiss Bartók tradition and conducted a very welcome performance of the rarely heard Four Pieces, Op 12 — a fascinating study in transition, echoing with eerie memories of Bluebeard's Castle while anticipating the magic of The Wooden Prince and even the seductions of The

Miraculous Mandarin, It can have made little difference to the balance of the programme that, Imogen Conper sadly having had to withdraw with an injury to a wrist. Till Feliner substituted the Muzart Piano Concerto in F. K459, for the B flat, K595, Certainly, the F major proved to be fruitful material for the conductor who somehow got the CBSO woodwind to sound like a period-instrument ensemble. Against that background, the young Austrian soloist sensitively restricted

CBSO/Holliger

Birmingham the piano colouring to more or less period proportions, offer-

ing an intelligent and general-

ly stylish if somewhat prim account of a piece which requires just a little more wit and daring from its perform-The open access to the reverberation chamber of Symphony Hall did nothing for the depressingly thick,

much-doubled orchestral texture at the beginning of Schumann's Third Symphony. But that is something one just has to accept for the sake of so much that is extraordinarily inspired in the rest of the score. Indeed, by the time Holliger and the CBSO had got to the fourth movement, Schumann's solemn evocation of Cologne Cathedral, those wide-open doors were admitting not only acoustic atmosphere but also a distinct whift of incense. It was an illusion, obviously, but also an indication of what can be achieved in this work by a frankly honest but unfailingly sympathetic interpretation.

### Crème Boulez

London Sinfonietta/ when George Benjamin's baton exploded, the top part Queen Elizabeth Hall

spinning in an arc above the heads of the players, the bottom part, a pencil-length stub. remaining in his hand. With the latter he directed the

Sinfonietta in an assured concentrated reading that evoked

the voluptuous tradition of Messiaen and Debussy to which both composer and conductor are heir.

By way of contrast, they captured in the first part of the programme the hard-edged lines of Varese's Octandre. and the absinthe-laced cocktail of three pieces by Stravinsky: the Tango, the Preludium and the Ebony Concerto.

> BARRY MILLINGTON

A guide to the best available recordings, presented in conjunction with Radio 3

Reviewed by Lione! Salte. ON THE outbreak of the First World War, Debussy, once a fervent admirer of Wagner, embarked on a series of six sonaras for different instruments "to give proof that French thought will not be destroyed". He was, however, already terminally ill and was able to complete only three of these, which he patriotically signed as a "musicien français". The Violin Sonata. the third of this group and his iast composition, was for long regarded, even by enthusiasts for his music, as evidence of exhaustion and failing powers: but its finesse and leaner, more transparent texture reveal an imaginative concept now recognised as a purification of his style, and its middle movement, a capricious scherzo, is another manifestation of the Pierrot/Harlequin figure

musicians and painters. The sonata is essentially an intimate, introspective work, so that extrovers performances, especially if recorded in a large hall or a resonant church, conflict with its basic spirit. The earliest extant recording, made by Thibaud and Cortot in 1929, is available in transfers on three different labels; but that, apart from its frequently ragged ensemble, it should not be looked on as authoritative is suggested by a reading by

then so much in vogue with



Gerard Poulet, the son of the violinist who gave the first performance (with Debussy at the piano) and who allegedly "taught him every detail of it". Too many players disregard dynamics (particularly of pia-nissimo) or even reverse them. and though the music needs to be flexible, players are not entitled to introduce rubatos (a term Debussy employs spar-ingly) at their whim. Transitions between the work's often unpredictable changes of page (especially in the latter two movements) need to be smooth

Three outstanding performances, all faithful to the text. convey a dedicated sense of poetry that eludes others. I could happily live with those by Isabelle van Keulen and Ronald Brautigam (on Koch Schwann) or by Kyung-Wha Chung and Radu Lupu (on Decca — one of the many midprice versions); but for sheer magic I would select Arve Tellefsen and Hans

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Domestic items acquire a strange logic in Eric Bainbridge's new show in Manchester



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tubes, lamps, sockets, drawers and string — all these are displayed, without ref-

erence to good or bad taste.

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form, in a show of work

made by Eric Bainbridge

over the past six years. It takes place on all three

floors at Cornerhouse, and is almost shocking when viewed for the first time.

But the artist's struggle to tread the fine line between

expressive decay and delicacy soon becomes apparent. Ultimately this subtle series

of arrangements, collages, reliefs and drawings jogs

the imaginative memory, and brings back a host of

diverse associations. Now

and then a small day figure

placed among the objects

acts as a decoy, perhaps to wrongfoot any overtly

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lery in Glasgow convey a

sense of expectation. But

inside the mixed show, Joy

Joy, provides a number of

only rather mild diversions.

Painter, a ridiculous spoof

video by Paul McCarthy (1995), has a loony-looking

person bashing about with

elongated sausage fingers

and extended nose. This

clown heaves an enormous-iy extended and unwieldy paintbrush with a shorn end, as if it is trapped in a

child's gluepot. Such ado-lescent comment on a sup-

posedly defunct activity manages to redeem itself

within the deliberately nu-

ive atmosphere of the show.

looking stuff are placed on a low-lying table, while David Burrows's More

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In Stuart Purdy's Gerunds, lumps of valuable-

heavy interpretation.

VISUAL ART 4

... while the animal kingdom is explored, in Surreal style, in The Lost Ark in Glasgow

comic illustrations cut out

and set up in a mock battle

of false poses in a sea of scattered powder or flour.

Karen Reynold's Untitled

drawings, pinned to the left

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III IS a truism that

to be horrible, dangerous, powerful and vengeful. Now an artistic reflection of

man's relation to nature has

been mounted by the cura-

tor Francis McKee, whose

exhibition The Lost Ark is

currently on show at the CCA. Pieces range from the

Victorian vanitas of Simon

Costin - in which tableaux

of stretched mouse peit,

claw brooch, beaks and

stuffed animals make up a scene of strange drawing-room manners — through to Douglas Gordon's B.

Movie, showing sinister

vampire bats and diseased

horses projected on a large

The painter Alexis Rock-

man, whose work seems to

lie at the root of the exhibi-

tion, is now working in

collages of real elements: sand, rocks, dead rat and

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### VISUAL ART: Richard Cork on a Barbican homage to pioneers of Post-Impressionism; plus other shows

# Those mad British moderns

oger Fry wanted his first great Post-Im-pressionist exhibition to give London a seismic shock. And he suc-ceeded beyond his headiest expectations. Many visitors to the Grafton Galleries, a prominent West End showcase, found themselves reeling at the impact of Ceanne, Gau-guin and Van Gogh. The canvases triggered what Fry's collaborator. Desmond MacCarthy, described as "the Art Quake of 1910", and Fry himself likened the "newspaper abuse from all quarters" to "a wild hurricane".

Most of the paintings on view, in a survey where Manet was seen as the starting-point, had been produced in the 19th century. But to the astounded British public, they seemed like the last word in mad modernity. Nobody could continue to ignore the revolution in European art any longer. However enraged the protests, Fry's show marked a watershed. Between 1910 and the outbreak of the Great War, London became an aestheticbattleground where rival avant-garde groups struggled to outdo each other in provoca-

tive boldness. This is the turbulent subject of the Barbican Art Gallery's latest exhibition. Selected by Anna Gruetzner Robins; and based on her detailed research into the flurry of impovative shows staged in London during those four effervescent. years, it captures the restless vitality of an extraordinary period. As one of the exhibition's consultants. I must declare an interest. But the achievement belongs to Dr Robins alone, and she must be congratulated for steering a coherent path through the thickets of controversy sparked by Fry's pioneering

The British appetite for innovative art was transformed by Fry's 1910 exhibition. Alhope to reassemble the riches displayed there, it has borrowed some of the key paintings Fry secured for his show. Gauguin's lazily sensual Tahitian Women Bathing stands out. But Van Gogh's Pieta has all the fieriness that prompted some critics to accuse him of insanity, and Cézanne's The Viaduct at L'Estaque possesses the magisterial authority which made Fry hall him as the "father of modern art". . The 1910 exhibition would

ver since the dumpy Woman from Willendorf was carved in the Palaeolithic period, the

British artists. One painter, however, had already absorbed Post-Impressionist lessons: Augustus John, whose show containing 48 idyllic little oil panels opened in the same month. The lure of John in a less adventurous direction, but Cerame and Gauguin fascinated other, more challenging artists. When the Stafford Gallery

displayed these two masters in 1911, Spencer Gore was quick to paint a delightful picture of connoisseurs appraising the Gauguin exhibits. The Gauguins won over most of the critics who had reviled him in 1910, and five of his pictures now belonged to a major new English collector: Michael Sadler, enthusiastically supported by his son. If our public collections had followed suit, Ganguin would not now be so

imilar regrets come to mind when we realise just how magnificently Matisse was repre-sented in Fry's second Postimpressionist survey, a far more up-to-date and startling sequel staged in 1912. Matisse and Picasso were its audacious cornerstones. Both men had been included in the 1910 venture, but only with relatively restrained work. Now they were seen at their most headlong. The whole range of Picasso's Cubist experiments was revealed in London for the first time, and his facility widely acknowledged. Even the most sympathetic reviewers confessed to puzzlement, though. And one painting in particular, his 1909-10 Woman and Mustard Pot, became a target for their ilbes.

Pry's finest coup lay, however, in his astonishing group of Matisses. The sublime Red Studio was there, containing within its crimson-saturated though the Barbican could not . surface a scintillating summary of the paintings and sculpture he was working on at the time. The first version of The Dance, flanked by two of his bronzes, proved how ecstatic Matisse could be when tackling figures on the grand scale. As for Goldfish and Sculpture, this strangely submarine canvas showed how far he could simplify line and colour in order to bewitch the eye.

- All three of these seductive paintings now belong to the have a profound effect on a New York, and could not be



lent to the Barbican. But in 1912, when Matisse's prices. ranged from £33 to £136, some of his greatest work could easily have been bought by our public collections. The Tate Gallery was so opposed to Matisse that as late as the 1940s it turned down the chance to buy The Red Studio itself for a fraction of its daunting value today.

But if our gallery directors and trustees disgraced them-selves over Matisse, several British artists in 1912 were quick to learn from him. The most ardent of his admirers. Vanessa Bell and Duncan Grant, were included in a special English section of Fry's exhibition. They are both seen at their liveliest in the Barbi-

But Bell and Grant were only part of a substantial homegrown group selected for Pry's show, and two of the others -Wyndham Lewis and Edward Wadsworth - would soon be implacably opposed to the

Bioomsbury artists. The division between them began when the Italian Futurists invaded London. Their 1912 show at the Sackville Gallery proclaimed the importance of the dynamic, machine-dominated power of 20th-century life. Pry hated their blurred, speed-obsessed rhapsodies as much as he deplored their flair for noisy, aggressive publicity. But plenty of British

can, and sometimes come as artists were impressed. Even close to each other as Braque in Scotland, where Fauvism thous 1914 survey called Twentaction of the Contury Art: A Review of followers in Fergusson, Peploe and Rice, Stanley Cursiter became converted to the Italians' strident cause for a brief yet crisply energetic period.

Other Young Turks, most notably David Bomberg and Henri Gaudier-Brzeska, had no desire to become acolytes of a continental movement. Nor had Wyndham Lewis. His spectacular painting Ker-messe, originally produced for Madame Strindberg's underground cabaret club The Cave of the Golden Calf, stood out in Rutter's show. It confirmed his stature among the Cubistinfluenced British artists.

By the time the Whitechapel

Modern Movements, the British contingent had splintered into ever more competitive confusion. Many of the boldest young exhibitors had agreed to join forces with Lewis and found a fiercely rebellious movement of their own. Vorticism was launched, through its truculent magazine Blast, just after the Whitechapel show closed in June. The British avant-garde had come of age, but Fry no longer played a role in this final prewar eruption of the revolu-

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figure has provided sculptors with their most abiding obsession, Richard Cork writes. Even in the 20th century, when this automatic dominance was challenged with such vigour, the human form refused to be eclipsed. And now, as the century's end approaches, the body's obstinate ability to endure is celebrated in a stimulating Cambridge show.

All six of the artists selected for the Kettle's Yard exhibition are men. And far from favouring female subjects. like so many sculptors of the past, they focus mostly on the male anatomy. Just how embattled the

When Leonard McComb started making his Young Man Standing in 1963 British sculptors' interest in the figure was at its lowest ebb. So McComb's determination to produce a lifelike body, based on long scrutiny of a posed model, seemed like an outright act of defiance. Not finally completed in its polished bronze form until 1977, the figure looks stubborn enough as he bunches his right fist and gazes purposefully forward. His air of assurance reflects McComb's own resolve, making a man of glearning wholeness to prove that

McComb's concerns. Young Man

by John Davies (1973-75)

Davies's early figures really are. The impact of his 1972 show at the Whitechapel Art Gallery rested on

installed there could be alive. Dressed in worn, ill-litting suits, the figures seemed to be embroiled in some bizarre, humiliating ritual. One of them, crowned by a large dunce's hat and a false nose, kneels between a couple of battered chairs. He appears to accept a punitive judgment pronounced by the two standing men near by, one of whom has a bird attached to his face.

ater on, Davies moved away from his reliance on casting from life, His big heads of the 1990s at Kettle's Yard are more bland in their expression, and modelled in readiness for casting in bronze. But the sense of strangeness lingers.

Victor Newsome, who also uses the body as a vehicle for emotional privation, is represented by drawings alone. But they are clearly the work of a sculptor --- or rather, an artist who turned from sculpture to painting. These drawings mark his period of transition. They look, at first, like studies for carvings in wood. And the blank-featured, mannequin-like female figures they contain seem to be framed by round niches. Then we realise that Newsome might be adopting an aerial view. Seen in this

water. Carefully plotted by meticulous lines of measurement, they bear a disconcerting resemblance to

At least one of the five cast iron figures in Autony Gormley's room might be dead. He certainly lies on the floor, bent in the middle like the other four occupants of this high, narrow space. The more I looked at him, though, the less cadaverous he became. For his pose is identical to his companions, and they all appear painfully alert. Testing a World View is Gormley's collective title for the work, but the prevailing emotion centres on frustration and helplessness. One figure rams his head against the wall, as if longing to break through the room's physical limits. Another adopts a jack-knifed position, with buttocks in the air and toes and forehead touching the floor.

Each of these figures appears enclosed in a mood of extreme isolation, most notably the man who hangs down from a vertiginous height on the wall. All cast from Gormley himself, they seem to embody five states of mind. But he removes them from autobiography by stressing their status as simplified images of Everyman, and their rusty, pitted surfaces give them an immemorial aura, Based on a living 20thcentury nude, they nevertheless reach back to the very origins of sculptural expression.

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figure has become in modern sculp-

Anthony Caro's early work asserts its potent presence. Caro's figurative pieces of the 1950s have often been overlooked, but these youthful bronzes are hugely impressive. On a small scale, Caro works with great fluidity. Pulling on a Girdle is a spiralling, robustly modelled distillation of the energy and strain involved in an everyday act. But the larger images possess an authentic grandeur. Man Taking off his Shirt

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forcefully as some of Caro's later, leaner forms. In his case, the exhibits make us realise how far bodily sensations may continue to inform his seemingly

is especially powerful, with the rock-

like arms projecting into space as

# Our heavenly bodies

Cambridge provides a showcase for the enduring power of the human figure in the hands of six male sculptors

contemporary, Eduardo Paolozzi, has remained more openly loyal to the figure. His earliest exhibit, Mr Cruikshank, was made in 1950 from a model produced to measure irradiation on the human skull, Apart from casting the original wooden head in bronze, Paolozzi did little to change it. Even so, Mr Cruikshank looks surprisingly like his later heads, made after the artist returned to figurative concerns in the 1980s. They are more grotesque and, at times, unsettling than their smoothly

sectionalised 1950 predecessor. sculpture's traditional subject still

had resonance. One young sculptor who emerged in the 1970s shared some of abstract sculpture. But his near- Standing looks as if it might have



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adopting an aerial view. Seen in this light, the statues are transformed into women lying in baths devoid of Cambridge (01223 352124 until Sunday)

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Vitriol personified

during the packed press night of Conor McPherson's oneman play, in which Brian Cox. plays a very unpleasant theatre critic, when I felt like yelling: "You'd better watch out Cox, there are a lot more of us here than there are of you. down there."

But who would want to stop that fine actor when he is in full flow? Besides, to describe McPherson's absorbing monologue solely as an attack on reviewers is a bit like seeing Othello as an attack on soldiers.

Cox brings his trademark growl and squashed-heavy-weight's face to the role of the critic of a leading Dublin paper. This gentleman openly admits to loving power, and he does his best to perpetuate the feeling of fear that greets him whenever he enters a room, by giving cruel, capricious reviews to pretty well every show that comes his way. He spreads misery, he drinks heavily, he hates his wife, he feels envy for those able to write compassionate plays about "queers and lesbians

himself. As Cox brilliantly plays him, he is not the caricature he might have been. After a particularly nasty incident, in which he has ingratiated himself with partying thesps by pretending to have given their play a rave, he has a brainstorm. Off he goes to London in pursuit of one of the actresses he deceived, arrives hopelessly drunk at her lodgings, and, having caused maximum em-

barrassment, he makes what

those who take a cynical view

of critics would regard as a

PUT A lonely waif in front of a large screen painted with images of black-

roofed terrace houses, the odd blighted

tree and, in the distance, the red glow of

dark satanic mills, and we are undoubt-

edly heading for Hard Times. That is the

theory, anyway, behind Good Company's tour of Dickens's classic, which has a

pitstop in London before heading north

Up to a point this tactic works. Sue

Pomeroy's production pushes all the

right buttons and we roll dutifully

through the motions. We are repulsed by

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self-made banker, Bounderby. We are

appalled that Mark Spalding's belea-

class scum. By the interval we are feeling

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Dickens's melodrama off the page with

workmanlike efficiency. Appropriately

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manager and liberate the bar staff.

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on a three-month tour, returning south

to the Hackney Empire from April 22.

forgiving each other", but he

also has a salutory scorn for

logical career move. He falls in with a covey of vampires, and spends his evenings tooling into town, picking up bezutiful young people, and taking them home to frolic, drink and

What's the point of this switch from natural to surreal mode? Maybe McPherson is trying to say something about the corrupting triviality of so much of the art that gets appreciated and eagerly con-sumed these days. Maybe he

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wants to suggest that charla tans and vampires are luring gullible people to spiritual destruction. But I must admit that the ending, in which a somewhat chastened Cox returns to Dublin to bully sympathy from his chums for his "breakdown", left me a bit confused. Unlike Cox's critic, however, I shall not assume that this is McPherson's fault and scourge him in reprisal.

As he demonstrated last year with his This Lime Street Bower, in which two brothers and their sister's boyfriend successively came forward and evoked a tawdry Irish seaside town, McPherson can write a vivid, arresting monologue. But the same question remains. Can he filter experience through more than one sensibility, or, to put it in a less criticky way, can he write decent dialogue? I'd love to

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### Not a lot of fun at t'mill

Hard Times Richmond Theatre

great novel of the machine age into teamroller rather than a drama. Only Claire Price's Louisa has much in the way of conflict to jam in the spokes of the two self-made northern industrialists. and that, predictably enough, is her damaged self.

Pomeroy tops and tails scenes with stiff tableaux and stiffer acting. Dermot Walsh's Sleary, here an Irish impresario with an unlikely lisp, makes a great show depositing the waif Sissy on Gradgrind's charity. The plot moves over and we barely hear of either again.
Our focus instead is manipulated by

vhile her sullen brother Tom (William Oxforrow) degenerates into an equally humouriess delinquent. By the time Gradighad realises he has manufactured a pair of monsters. Bounderby has married one and employed the other." Despite the lack of redeeming features, Philip Madoc makes a compelling fist of Bounderby. "I'm a genuine scrap of

Gradgrind's repressed children. With a

frown set in granite, Louisa matures

spookily into a humourless 20-year-old,

gutter ... and I'm just as proud as you are," he bellows (as he does most of his tines) at Paul Connolly's smooth, cynical swell, Harthouse. The only actress to get Bounderby's measure is Penella Fielding's supremely vulgar Mrs Sparsit who spends the entire play angling for his impregnable affections. Pitching her performance somewhere between Kenneth Williams and Lady Bracknell, Bounderby's snobby housekeeper subverts the show of brute expediency and moral fervour with camp and comic insincerity. God knows we need some.

JAMES CHRISTOPHER

### A blast from the heart

IT IS a measure of how healthy British pop is that a group as outstanding as Shef-field's Longpigs should be enjoying such quiet, if sus-tained, success. If they had broken through three or four years ago they would surely have been given the full Suede treatment. As it is, they won praise for last year's debut album, The Sun is Often Out, and are now in the latter stages of a sold-out tour that has consolidated their reputation as one of the most accomplished live acts of the

Singer Crispin Hunt was in a reflective mood at the Forum

Longpigs Forum, NW5

last Thursday, responding at some length to a music paper review which was more about the audience than the band. "Our fans are cool people who make up their own minds," he told the feverishly excited mass of bodies crammed in front of the stage.

This lot needed no persuading, but it was noticeable that Longpigs took nothing for granted. Pushing off with the slouching rhythm and slightly bluesy riff of Happy Again. they gradually pieced together a show that was a masterpiece of economy and pacing.

Momentum was built up by a succession of brilliantly arranged songs — Lost Myself. All Hype and Jesus Christ — that combined verses of sensitive, aching beauty with character that went off like fire alarms in the night. As a group whose music is

rooted in the classic traditions of harmony-vocal British pop, Longpigs inevitably betray a Beatles influence, which sur-faced most noticeably on Far. But no one could accuse them of simply recycling old ideas. As the pounding beat of Elvis began, and an eerie red mist came down, they took off into realms of wonder that were all their own.

The show climaxed with a slow but immensely powerful version of She Said and then an epic encore of Over Our Bodies which ended with Hunt roaming the stage, yelling with vaguely unhinged passion, accompanied only by drummer Dee Boyle. It was a fittingly dramatic end to a stark, purposeful display. DAVID SINCLAIR

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### Anthony Scrivener, QC, protests about a growing trend in the press



Wrongful convictions? Three of the men jailed in the Carl Bridgewater case on the day of their release 18 years after conviction

# Mistrial by media?

quitted of murder, but that did not stop the Daily Mail from challenging his acquittal. Three of the young men acquitted of the murder of Stephen Lawrence were likewise accused by the Daily Mail. In each case the newspaper chal-lenged those acquitted to sue for defamation. It was a safe threat to make. Legal aid is not available for libel proceedings.

The paper implied that in the Stagg case an irregular. procedure had been adopted. No jury had been empanelled and the judge had made the decision. There was in fact nothing unusual about the procedure. The judge had been asked to rule on the admissibility of evidence in the light of that ruling, the prosecution did not proceed because it was bound to fail.

In the case of the Lawrence murder, Barbara Milis, QC, the Director of Public Prosecutions, on the advice of senior counsel, decided that there was not sufficient evidence to charge anyone. A private prosecution was brought which showed the DPP was correct. The judge threw it out because there was not enough evidence to leave the case to the jury; again a common procedure. afford to bring libel proceed-

There are possible candi-dates for similar media attacks against people who cannot afford to sue for defamation. A man interviewed about the Carl Bridgewater murder was recently questioned during a television debate about suspicious circumstances which, it was suggested, connected him

with the crime In the Stagg and Lawrence cases, none of the individuals accused was able to defend himself against media attacks. although four had been acquitings. He is another safe target. In the 17th century the infamous Judge Jeffreys claimed that he was "clamour-proof", but that was before we had the The law protects the sanctity

of a conviction. In 1964, Altie Hinds managed to persuade a jury in defamation proceedings that his conviction by a criminal court was wrong. This brought about a change in the law. Section 13 of the Civil Evidence Act. 1968, was quickly enacted. This provides

### Publicity may make a fair trial impossible and frustrate any further court proceedings

ted, and in the other, the man now being accused over Bridgewater was never charged — not even by the old West Midlands Police Force.

If James Hanratty obtains a posthumous pardon in the case of the Ao murder, as it came to be called, the media already have an ideal candidate available for attack. After this length of time, he is rather old, but he certainly cannot

that in defamation proceedings, the fact that a person "stands convicted" is conclu-

The Birmingham Six, while imprisoned for a crime they bring civil proceedings that would have brought their convictions into question. The action was struck out as being an abuse of process.

was obtained the police brought criminal proceedings and Brooks was later tried and convicted or murder. Civil prosive evidence of that fact. ceedings are properly conducted in a court with proper rep-

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There is nothing to prevent those who have suffered loss the publicity may make a fair as a result of a murder from trial impossible and irustrate bringing civil proceedings after an acquittal in criminal any further court proceedings Since the accused will not have aufficient funds to bring defaproceedings. In the case of mation proceedings, he re-mains acquitted by the crimi-O.J. Simpson in America, civil proceedings were brought after his acquittal. nal court but unable to prevent Bringing a prosecution which fails means no further sturs from the media questioning the verdict.

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defeated in the House of Lords during the committee stage of the Crime (Sentences) Bill. The House of Lords authorised judicial discretion not to impose a mandatory sentence on habitual offenders. The Government will seek to reverse the defeat in the House of Commons. MPs interested in understanding the defects of mandatory sentences, and of the populist penal policy to which they give effect, should read Lord Windlesham's new book, Responses to Crime: Legislating with the Tide (Oxford University Press, £40).

The Home Secretary wishes to impose a mandatory life sentence for a defendant's second sexual or violent offence, a mandatory sentence of seven years' imprisonment for a third offence of trafficking in Class A drugs, and a mandatory three years for a third of-fence of domestic burglary, in each category subject only to "exceptional circumstances".

The Lords voted to empower the criminal court to give a lesser sentence to avoid an "nnjust" result in the circumstances of any particular case. The Lord Chief Justice, Lord

Bingham of Cornhill, ex-plained why judicial discretion is an essential element of fairness "Rules of thumb do not provide an answer to these problems because the passing of a sentence is not a mechani-cal task." Parliament may set a standard sentence for particular types of crime, but if it does not allow the judge to depart from that norm on the facts of an individual case, judges would be compelled to pass sentences which they consider

Lord Windlesham was Minister of State at the Home Office in Edward Heath's Government from 1970 to 1972 and served as the chairman of the Parole Board from 1982 to 1988. He analyses how and why sentencing policy has become politicised in recent years. He recognises that appalling crimes, as well as disgraceful antisocial behaviour, have caused "anger, resentment and widespread fear of crime". This is exploited by some newspapers. Politicians of all parties are expected to do something. The depressing reality is that these are "intractable, and deeply rooted problems of deviant behaviour over which they have little direct control". But that is a subtle, and unappealing, message to

So politicians promise to legislate, and to do so in a manner "thought most likely to appeal to an insecure and resentful general public". The inevitable consequence of simplistic solutions is to exacerbate complex problems. In particular, mandatory senteneing "causes unintended and unwelcome

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Lord Windlesham analyses how, in the United States, high crime rates, public concern and media pressure have ensured that "to be tough on crime was transformed from slogan to electoral necessity". The imposition of mandatory sentences for repeat offenders ("three strikes and you're out") has caused a massive growth in the prison population (even though many of those detained for a life sentence pose no threat to the public, a substantial reduction in the number of offenders pleading guilty (leading to long pre-trial delays, more victims having to give evidence, and lower conviction rates), and less public money for other (more effective) means of preventing offending behaviour (such as the number of police on the beat, and intensive probation services). The Home Secretary's proposals are more targeted than some of the American manda-

tory sentences. But they will cause the same adverse consequences. Lord Woolf, the Master of the Rolls, correctly explained during the second reading debate that the Crime (Sentences) Bill, if enacted, would be "an extremely expen-sive way of making the criminal justice system worse".

Mandatory sentences are a public confidence trick. Lord Windlesham observes that they seek to reassure the population "by making promises that the law can at best imperfectly and incompletely deliver". Once the legislature has spoken, and the politicians have moved on to other votewinning slogans, the judges, the lawyers, and prison staff

"have to live with the consequences" of laws which add to, rather than help to remedy, the problems caused by offending behaviour.

n both sides of the Atlantic, lawmakers in the 1990s have been unable to resist the temptation to play politics with sentencing policy, to encourage the electorate to believe that judges are not imposing appropriate sentences, and that tougher legislation will ensure that we can all sleep more soundly, protected against murder, burgiary and other serious offences.

It is much more difficult to lead public opinion, to explain to people the basic problems of criminology, and the absence of easy answers. Lord Windlesham's informed and informative analysis justifies his conclusion that it must be "for an independent judiciary, and not for politicians dependent on public support to decide on the degree of nishment which a crime deserves".

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### Will he. won't he?

MARTIN MEARS may not be contesting the presidency of the Law Society this summer after all. His runningmate, Robert Sayer, may go for the top job while he opts instead for the vice-pres-

Mr Mears says: "We have pretty well concluded that Robert should stand for the presidency. The reason is that if we win, we would we want to keen on Caterpillar (their "alternative" Law Society magazine) as our publicity. machine. But I emphasise that nothing is concluded."

### Double whammy A SENTENCE in a missive

from the Lord Chancellor's Department to the Bar Council, during tense negotiations over its proposed new civil standard-fee system, reads: "We do not believe that our present scheme cannot be improved and we remain willing to consider any alternative scheme you can suggest that meets the Lord Chancellor's aims for standard fees." In Counsel magazine, Rob-

ert Owen, QC, the Chairman



of the Bar Council, comments system." In fact, the exhibition was originally on view in 1974, in a corridor near the drily: "When you strip out the double negative, it appears to indicate both that the scheme entrance to the Law Courts. can be improved, and that Now redesigned, it has been alternatives to a standard fee moved to the court gallery at the other end of the building. scheme will be considered."

Plus ca change A NEW exhibition of the history of legal robes was opened by Lord Bingham of Combill, the Lord Chief Justice, in the Royal Courts of Justice last week. However, as the Court Service put it "Legal professional dress has changed little over the centuries, matching the con-tinuity of the English legal

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Shining example WESTMINSTER City Council's solicitor, Colin Wilson, has come to the aide of Cahit Toguz, one of the borough's shoeshiners, who is having trouble raising the weekly licence fee because trade has been badly hit by the incienent weather. He advises that the council could waive the street trading charges in \*exceptional circumstances".

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She replaces David Kyle as Chief Crown Prosecutor in the central casework division, and is only the second woman to hold such a post.

◆ PATRICK ROBSON, a Crown Prosecutor, is to receive a Good Citizenship award for grabbing a defendant in a magistrates court and holding him in a neck lock after he made a bid for freedom when denied bail. Mr Robson will be presented with his award by the West Midlands Chief Constable, Edward Crew.

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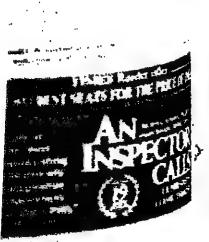
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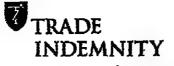
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### Adopting new values illy Cooper starts her novel Will government plans for adoption

Appassionata with the hero.
Rupert Campbell-Black.
dashing to Bogota to buy an adoptive child. By page nine, he has shot at a taxi, beaten, up. a policeman and decided against a cocaine deal. But we are on his side: his earlier attempts to adopt a British child have been met with only two ways to help to shorten the odds: take more children from their endless KGB-style interrogations by social workers". Will the changes to the Adoption Regulations, announced last week by Stephen Dorrell, the Secretary of State for Health, be sufficient to

ease such horrors from our system? Ministers will recall that previous forays into domestic relations, such as the Child Support Acts 1991-95 and the Family Law Act 1996; brought lightning crashing out of apparently cloudless skies. Are there any votes in adoption, whose numbers were down by 16 per cent in 1999 At 5,000-plus children, that represents one for every ten children in care, or one for every 45 born to unmarried parents - or one for every 30 whose parents were di-

Adoption is thus the most precious subject in family law. Demand outstrips supply and we employ an army of officials to referee the competition. Contraception, abortion, acceptance of non-marital and one-parent families, and a policy of patience with regard to children in local authority care, have all militated against parenthood by displace-

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help or hinder? asks Chris Barton ment. Short of further raids overchild who comes on the market. But seas - which would break the Hague Convention - there are insinuating paramountcy into adoption law could lead to a

birth parents, and/or open up the steochild market. Take more children from their. birth parents? That would be the sweetest privatisation yet. Our social weckers are so unproductive. They are content merely to give away children at an estimated rate

of one per 40 customers. Legisla-tion could open up this market, thereby privatising a cost which might otherwise fall on the State. Under the draft Bill, originally intended for last year's Queen's Speech, the welfare of the child would be the "paramount", and not merely the "first" consideration in adoption proceedings. It would extend the criteria in Children Act 1989 proceedings from the usual two customers, the child's parents, those 40 or so takers for every

Only parents who are rightly nt that no one could raise their children better than they could would be wise to view this maner with equanin

At the moment, the fikelihood of significant harm caused by bad parenting is the sole criterion whereby a child can be taken into local authority care, and it does not sever the parental link. Yet the new proposal would permit the ultimate rention for far lesser reason.

ncreasing step-parent adop-tion would be a less controversial step. In 1998. applications made by a di-vorced parent and "her" new spouse accounted for over half of the total orders made. Under the draft Bill, deregulation would be achieved mainly by reference to these reconstituted families. The incoming social parent would be eligible for "mere" parental respon-sibility in addition to, and not instead of, the absent biological parent. That would be available either on the agreement of both birth parents or by court order.

At one stroke it would lower the stakes and reduce bureaucracy. Fully fledged adoption would still be available to step-parents and still be denied to cohabitants, so the law would continue to be seen to favour marriage.

• The author is Professor of Family Law at the University of Staffordshire.

# Back to futures for the regulators

A Japanese Nick Leeson is on trial for losing billions. Who, Edward Fennell asks, is keeping an eye on the traders?

Market with a vengeance last week with the opening of the Hamanaka trial in Tokyo. Accused of being responsible for unauthorised copper deals which resulted in a \$2.6 billion loss for Sumitomo, Yasuo Hamanaka is starting to look like the main course to Nick Leeson's starter. The fact that both cases are about futures trading and hinge on a London-Far East axis is not coincidental.

Criticisms in New York, however, of the conduct of the London Metal Exchange (LME) are not regarded too seriously by London lawyers. James Bagge. of Norton Rose, undertakes a lot of regulatory work and says there are limits to what can be expected of the exchanges, especially given that the key players in the Sumitomo case were not members of the exchange. Even so, he considers that exchange regulations may not have kept pace with the enormous growth in activity. He says: "There is a need for better access to information by the LME - more exchange of information between the authorities might have brought the problem to light earlier."

Legal advice to the exchanges tends to come from the blue-chip firms: Linklaters & Paines has a long history of working with the LME and Clifford Chance also advises several commodity exchanges, Lovell White Durrant, meanwhile, has considerable expertise in oil and gas and David Moss, a partner, says that there are periodically disciplinary cases arising out of conduct on the International Petroleum Exchange.

Eric Betelheim, the distinguished commodities lawyer based in the London office of the American firm Mayer Brown & Platt, is confident that the crisis in copper will pass. The Sumitomo case does not pose a systemic threat to the LME," he says. The important thing is that Sumitomo was able to meet its obligations. The same thing happened when ING took over Barings. So long as the bills are

paid, there is no real problem." Despite the massive scale of the Hamanaka case, Mr Betelheim regards it with a certain degree of



weariness. He says: "About once a decade for the past 150 years, someone has tried to corner the market in a major commodity. It always ends in tears."

Mr Betelheim is one of a small group of specialist commodities lawyers based in London. It is a niche area and most of the firms active within it are involved in the Hamanaka affair.

Unlike some of the more mainstream sectors it is possible for very small firms to be engaged in major work and probably the most important recent development was the decision by Richard Black, of the specialists Middleton Potts, to set up his own firm. RD Black & Co. just before Christmas.

Mr Black has made a name for himself as one of the leading commodities lawyers in London but, as he points out, "sometimes one just outgrows the firm one is with. I felt I could provide a better service to my clients and fulfil the talents of my associates by setting up on my own."

Mr Black is unusual in so far as he covers virtually the whole gampt of commodities work from what is regarded as the rather pedestrian "physical" end (trans-actions associated with the shipping and delivery of commodities; through to the highly volatile derivatives market in which Hamanaka was active.

Must of the physicals work is fairly predictable. As Mr Moss comments: "In general, on the physical side, the issues are fairly stable. It's usually the same old points coming up again and

The more edgy work is in the derivatives field where bets are laid, in effect, on the future movement of prices. As Andrew lyer of Ince & Co points out, it is not in the nature of dealers to check with their lawyers before making innovative or opportunistic

He says: "I've never had a dealer come to me and ask Will what I am doing be OK with the regulators?" It is only when things have gone wrong that they ask for advice."

That is why interest has focused so much on the growth of the financial services side of the commodities business.

Mr Moss says: "The world's appetite for financial products is not diminishing. Commodities futures is an important part of that

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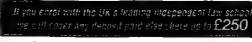
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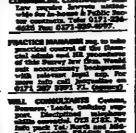


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# Hansen left out after falling foul of rules

BY DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

THE two most successful women athletes in the Great Britain team at the Olympic mer will not be going to the world indoor championships in Paris next month after Ashia Hansen was omitted controversially from the squad announced yesterday and Denise Lewis asked not to be picked. Nevertheless, it is a team in which Britain may be

Hansen is effectively a victim of a selection system approved by the athletes. Fourth in the Olympic triple jump, and with form this winter suggesting she would have won a medal in Paris, she was left out because she failed to appear in the trials when fit. "We are hidebound by our selection criteria," Malcoim Arnold, the Great Britain head coach, said.

The exclusion of Hansen means that Britain will have no representative in the event. It had, according to Arnold, been a "unanimous decision" by the selectors. "I spoke to her this morning and she was slightly more upset than I

TEAM

was," Arnold said. "I do not like the situation but, once you make a set of rules, you have

to stick to them.' The British Athletic Federa tion (BAF) sent letters to 200 athletes towards the end of last year, according to Arnold, notifying them of the selection requirements, one of which was compulsory participation in the trials. "The selection athletes at the beginning of the season, so everyone knew where they stood," Arnold

"I was asked by many people, athletes particularly, to try to get rid of the nonsense and, particularly, I was asked by the [British] Athletes' Association to let them know where they stand. They were in-formed by the beginning of December." In other words before Hansen went to South Africa to train and compete. "But she says she was not aware of the selection criteria," Arnold added:

This being the age of the more so than with the introduction of prize-money for these championships, the final responsibility must rest with the athlete to know what is required. What makes the episode more puzzling is that Aston Moore, Hansen's coach, is one of Arnold's national event coaches and, in Andy Norman, she has an experienced manager

Hansen declined to comment but Moore said: "She is upset to put it mildly. It seems to have been a lack of communication. I thought that all the necessary steps had been

Lewis, bronze medal-winner in the heptathion at the Olympics, believes that, with better winter training facilities in Britain, she would probably be on her way to Paris for the pentathion with gold her tar-



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Hansen, one of Britain's most successful athletes in Atlanta, is excluded from the team

been unable to attain the standard to convince her it would be worthwhile trying.

There is no point in filling a place for the sake of it," Lewis said. "Some areas of my work have not gone as well as I anticipated. We do not have the facilities in Britain which are ideal for me to do a good job. For multi-events you need to maintain your technical work as well as your

Even without Hansen and Lewis, women comprise half the squad of 40, in contrast to the beginning of the decade when, in the European outdoor championships in Split, they were so overwhelmed by the men that Joan Allison, the team manager, accused British officials of "sweeping the

because they are an embar-

Arnold suggested three reasons for the change: the inspirational benefits of Sally Gunnell's successes, the competitive opportunities provided by the BAF small teams programme, and classes in positive thinking. British interest will be con-

centrated on the 400 metres events, in which there are three possible gold medals: Jamie Baulch in the men's individual and the two relay squads. Phylis Smith is the best medal prospect in the women's team, though she recognises she may need to improve on the British record, that she set in the Ricoh tran at Birmingham on Sunday, from 51.69sec to under 51sec.

Baulch apart, Steve Smith,

in the high jump, and Colin Jackson, in the hurdles, are the most prominent men's

John Mayock missed the trials but, unlike Hansen, produced a doctor's note and was named for the 3,000 metres at the excense of Ian Gillespie. On Sunday. Gillespie ran a Scottish record but. Mayock trumped him with a British record. Mayock's record was reported as one of five, but it emerged yesterday that there was a sixth.

Such was the quality that the meeting achieved the highest score for a British indoor meeting on the International Amateur Athletic Federation evaluation tables since they were introduced in 1992. Lievin, in France, was top

for a sixth successive year but it brought Top of the Pops to athletics, playing rock hits for effect, soared from No 5 to No 2 in the LAAF charts.

# Lloyd voices colourful view of one-day game

David Lloyd has maintained a conspicuously low profile since his England team started winning. He emerged from this rare introversion yesterday to air some views on one-day cricket that will have the reactionaries of the English game wishing he had remained silent.

In addition to being a passionate enthusiast about the game and his players, the England coach is a sensitive soul. He has been upset, lately. by what he perceives as "per-sonal ridicule" of his more animated utterings and this, allied to a management desire to protect him from any repetition, has meant that this instinctively talkative man has virtually gone off the air.

This is a pity in more ways than one. Lloyd may have a proper grievance over certain demeaning criticisms, but he has still to grasp that his occasional decline into myopia portrays him in a poor light and does his team few favours. This much has been recognised by the hierarchy of the English Cricket Board (ECB), another reason why less has been heard from Lloyd.

But a balance must be found, for the greatest shame of his silence is that he has so much to offer. He demonstrated this once more yesterday, when relaxing sufficiently to discuss England's changing approach to one-day cricket and his personal belief that it

SURREY are confident that

Brendon Julian, their Austra-

lian all-rounder, will return as

the club's overseas player for

the coming season (Simon Wilde writes). Julian, who

scored 759 runs and took 61

wickets in the championship last year, was offered a new

contract three weeks ago and

"I'd be very disappointed i

he wasn't with us by April,"

David Gilbert, the Surrey

coach, said. "We've been in

touch with him by phone on

several occasions and he's just

hagging over a couple of

had a great year last season and obviously the stakes have

gone up."

is expected to sign it.

from Auckland on a call for change by the coach to give England

adopt much of the colourful commercialism that is now mutine overseas. -

a level playing field

"It is very important that our players get used to the way the rest of the world does things," Lloyd said. "They are a little bit open-mouthed about all the razzmatazz of the oneday game here, all the music and noise, and my own opin-ion is that we should think seriously about doing similar things at home."

There will be a deal of snorting in high places about this. The thought of a halfcentury at Lord's being recorded by a deafening rendition of of the Top Cat theme, as happened to Nick Knight on Sunday, remains anotherna to the guardians of the English game, with some reason, but Lloyd's fundamental point is still a persuasive one.

rey's preferred choice, al-

though had Ian Salisbury not joined from Sussex, the club

might have been tempted to.

go for a top-class slow bowler,

Every county now has an

oversess player firmly in mind — if not signed — for

this summer, but as is now

customary, their choices are

prey to international calls.

shire (Matthew Hayden), Middlesex (Gree Blewell) and Yorkshire (Michael Besan)

may all have to look else-where if their first choices are

ment in India in May could

ex (Stuart Law), Hamp-

such as Saqiain Mushtaq.

England have allowed temselves to tread water in the limited-overs field while their opponents around the world have struck out in various imaginative directions. If some of these can be thought unsuitable, those that directly influence the game, such as white balls, regulated field placings and innovative is in the interests of the team tactics are ignored only by the and the domestic game to arrogant and purblind.

Julian yet to sign new

contract for Surrey

different," Lloyd said. "Don't ask me why but it is. It swings more and bowlers find it harder to control." Revealingly, white balls - and inevitably the accompanying coloured clothes - are now used for one-day internationals everywhere except in England. On this issue, it is surely time the English stopped being coy

and gave the players a chance. We are also still catching up on the things other teams take for granted," Lloyd said, like the need for two static close fielders in the first 15 overs and the alternative ways. of using slow bowlers. It may be that the tactic of giving an off spinner the new ball has had its day but we haven't even got round to opening up with Robert Croft."

He also believes that there is too little one-day cricket in England - not the county limited-overs game, of which there is far too much, but international matches, "I. would very much like us to play more, because it would help us to improve," he said.

loyd may or may not be. aware that Australia were in favour of playing five one-day internationals and five Tests on their Ashes tour this summer but the English authorities insisted on a balance of three and six. He has, however, taken one step towards sharpening the oneday act, for it was on Lloyd's initiative that England will take part in the quadrangular event in Sharjah in December.

Just for once, England are able to analyse their deficiencies from a position of strength, having established a 2-0 lead in the five-match oneday series here, with the Test series already in the bag. Tomorrow, in Napier, it is New Zealand who are trying to restore some credibility.

Lloyd's message to his players will be unchanged. "We have chatted a lot about urgen-cy in the one-day games, about playing busy cricket. So far we have done well against a team. very proficient at this form of the game. But I think we can still improve

There will be a late decision on whether Michael Atherion's troublesome back permiss him to return as captain but he was moving more easily yesterday. "I would been starting a Test match but it was too stiff to do myself justice in a one-day situation,"



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# HEEHAN on BRIDGE

BY ROBERT SHEEHAN, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

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South (Constantin Merlusca) opened a 15-17 l NT, and went on to 3 NT when North raised to 2 NT. North's raise on such a flat and barren 8-count was aggressive, even at this vul-nerability. (At IMPs, bidding game on about a 40 per cent chance is correct when you are vulnerable, assuming the con-tract is not liable to be doubled

or go several down.)
The heart lead went to the ack and queen, and Meriusca tested clubs, playing off the acr-king-queen. West discarded a low diamond on the third round. Waiting for something to turn up, declarer won the next two tricks with a diamond to the king and a spade to the queen. Then came another diamond towards hand: East ducked again, denying access to the thirtrenth diamond, but Meriusca was then able to play ace and another heart, throwing West in to concede the game-going trick to the king of spades.

East observed that if West had discarded a spade, keep-ing all his diamonds, he would have had a diamond exit to defend against the endplay. True, but the last chance to beat 3 NT fell to East, who should have risen on the first round of diamonds, cashed the jack of clubs, and played a heart, setting up five winners for the defence before South had made his spade trick.

☐ Last weekend both the final matches in the Macallan Camrose Trophy were played for the first time in the same venue, the Giffard Hotel, Worcester, England beat Wales 70-19 while Scotland and Northern Ireland drew

☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

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By Philip Howard

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BY RAYMOND KIENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Hodgson's triumph

Grandmaster Julian Hodgson, the former British champion, has bounced back to score what is probably a career-best performance after a period of somewhat modest results. In the Bermuda International tournament Hodg-son was undefeated and finished two points ahead of the field:

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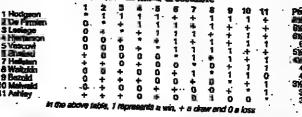
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The Deloitte & Touche Jersey International was won by Andrew Webster with points out of seven. Julian Hodgson finished equal second with Bogdan Lalic.

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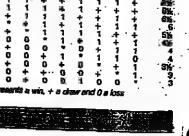
Black to play. This position is from the game King — Suha, Watson, Farley and Williams, London 1989. Black, with an extra pawn and well placed pieces, has an excellent position. However, it is always good to win as quickly as possible and Black achieved this here by tearing into the white kingside. Can you see how?

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By Raymond Keene

# ay game 'Alternatives must be sought to replace outdated levy system

BY RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

FROM their different perspec-tives, Sheikh Hamdan Al-Maktoum, owner of 350 racehorses worldwide, and Chris Brasher, owner of nine, spoke with one voice in The Times yesterday when they criticised the funding of racing in Britain - and articulated the need for fundamental change. But what form should such

change take? Is change even a realistic possibility or just a pipedream? In its recent paper Racing Industry Review: Options For Change, the British Horseracing Board (BHB) touched on the "longer term" issue when it asked if the levy system, in which off-course punters pay £50 million a year to racing's coffers via their bets, should be replaced "and if so, by what?"

Far from being a topic for the backburner, many people in racing now believe this is the crucial issue which racing must address - none more sothan Lord Donoughue, a director of Towester racecourse, part owner of the wellnamed Peer's Folly (still unraced at the age of seven), and Labour's racing spokes-man in the House of Lords.

Despite encouraging im-provements in the sport, he believes the long-term trends are disturbing. Racecourse attendances and revenues are not improving sufficiently, the profile of customers shows too many old and too few young spectators, betting on racing is osing share to non-levy gambling, and increasingly high quality horses are racing and

The levy crutch may diminish and customer revenues will not rise to compensate unless racing becomes more attractive and courses get more non-race, sponsor and media income.

"Perhaps the levy, which eases our short-term prob-lems, is actually part of the long-term problem, leading course managements to act cautiously within the system and not allowing them to compete as a free leisure industry. Does it create an inhibiting dependency? Does it mean we don't attract the most dynamic leisure management? It is striking that racing alone of British sports needs such a legislative, regulated, centrally structured op-

Obviously it would be fatal to abolish the levy in the short-term; it contributes to racing more than double total gate. revenues. I resist the idea of closing racecourses, though if some do not adjust to the new economic and leisure climate that may be unavoidable."

The Commons home affairs select committee encouraged the Government to consider the long-term replacement of the levy and, in its response, the Government accepted it would be preferable if payments from bookmakers to racing could be made without a statutory framework.

Nearly six years later, nothing has happened except for the BHB to ask in its recent paper whether it should estab-tish a formal group to investigate alternatives to the levy.

"My answer to that is basically 'yes and smart'. But I am not convinced it should be an internal group from racing, even with formal representa-tives from the betting industry." Lord Donoughue added.
"We need a radical vision

for the future. The problems derive from the status quo. Therefore an inquiry representing the status quo is unlikely to ask all the fundamental questions or think the unthinkables. Such an inquiry should compose high quality independent people; some with experience in the leisure industry, some from the yourger generation. It should be backed by adequate research.

"The key questions for them would be how racing would best survive without the levy and how to prepare for that transition. They should analyse current leisure and racing trends in Britain and abroad: assess potential for more nonrace revenues at courses, for more media and sponsorship income, how to stimulate and tap race betting, including the Tote. How best can racing sell its product to customers, punt-ers, sponsors and the media and who owns the product?"

Donoughue believes such an independent group should adopt a seven- to ten-year view if racing was to have a chance. to adjust. "If they conclude that there is no alternative to the levy, then at least we will know and proceed accordingly. But it could be a limited and declining future ahead." Sheikh Hamdan, Brasher and many others would agree.

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4.10 GREAT BLEN HOVICES CHASE

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4.40 DAKHANI HANDICAP CHASE

(\$2,934: 2m 11) (8 runners)



Encore Un Peu, with Richard Dunwoody on board, will miss this season's Grand National because of an injury sustained at Kempton

# Jockey Club rejects Dunwoody's complaint

BY OUR RACING STAFF

THE criticism from Richard Dunwoody over the time he had to wait for professional medical assistauce after a fall at Kempton on Saturday was yesterday rejected by the Jockey Club. Durwoody is to consult Michael Canifield, the chairman of the Jockeys' Association, and the Jockey Club's medical adviser, Dr Michael Turner, over what he sees as a delay in receiving proper attention after taking a heavy fall from See More Bruines

However, David Pipe, the Jockey Club's director of public affairs, said:

herause we are absolutely convinced that the instructions were followed correctly and the paramedics were there in under a minute. As far as we are concerned, everything was done

Peter McNelle, the clerk of the course at Kempton, also defended the speed with which Dunwoody received medical attention. "I'm not sure what more he could have expected," McNeile said. "The ambulance followed 70 yards behind and they were with him within 20 seconds."

Dunwoody was taken to hospital with a hairline fracture of the sternum

he suffered in the fall, but was released yesterday. He claimed that the first person to attend caused him pain rather than helping, but McNeile countered: "He was a Surrey Ambulance crew paramedic and you couldn't ask for anyone better. I am surprised and rather disappointed with what Richard has said.

"I went to the hospital on Saturday night to deliver his car and he had every opportunity to raise it with me, but he didn't. I thought it was all dead and buried so I was surprised to see his statement.

Responding to the criticism of his complaint. Dunwoody said: "I would

like to emphasise that it was the whole procedure that I would like to discuss with Michael Caulfield and Dr Michael Turner on behalf of all jockeys in the future." In a statement issued via his agent, Robert Parsons, he added: "I apologise if in my injured state 1 caused offence, but I was unhappy with my initial treatment."

Other news from the Kempton meeting concerned Encore Un Peu. The former Martell Grand National favourite, who finished fifth in the Racing Post Chase, returned lame. The ten-year-old, beaten 14 lengths by Rough Quest at Aintree last year, will

2.10 Hangover

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2.40 (2m hole) 1, Ludin Luader (O Parker, 6-1); 2, in A Mormond (5-1); 3, O'Dolous Risk (16-1); 4, Palace Of Gold (4-1 se/), 18 mar. Mi, 5t. C Parker, Total (5-7), 24.10, (7-120, 52.40, 52.00, DF - £35.50, Trick £96.20 CSP - £35.50 Trick £96.20 CSP - £35.20 CSP - £

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1.85 (7) 1, Pling The Chief (Mrs A Uniter, 11-2); 2, Private Feature (5-2); 3, Dream Carrier (8-1), Mole Beby 9-4 fee: 10 fant. 161, nlc M Usher, Tole: 56 40; 51.30, 51.40, 62.90, Dr. 60.10, Trior 517.50, CSF: £18.29 Tricest £105 02 2.25 (177 48) 7. Love Me Do (J Faming. 8-17 fav); 2. Zatopok (12-1); 3. Moorraking (11-2) 8 car Nic 134. M. Johnston, Togge E1 70; 21.10, 21.80, 21.90, DF: 25.70. CSF-210.08.

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3.25 (tm) 1. Pleasare Trick (Kim Tinkler, 14-1); 2. Rambo Welzer (10-1); 3. Sea Spouse (11-2). Eriton 9-4 (av. 9 van Nr. 151. E. Intesa, Tote: £17.50; £3.20, £2.40, £1.90, DF: £44.40. Tric: £71.70, £5F-£140.85. Tricast. £807.00. 3.56 (1m 30) 1. Later Latherto (\*) Williams, 11-8 levi: 2. Milliony (7-1); 3. Going For Broke (7-1): 5 min. 7. %t. M. Johnston Tota: 22-70; 21 10, 52-80. DF: 29-60. CSF: 210 52.

4.25 (87) 1, Bold Arintocrat (F Lynch, 9-2); 2, Hoh Majestic (4-1 tan); 3, Tulu Seyysis (23-1), 11 san, 96, nd, R Hodinshead, Totar (5-90, 62-10, 62-10, 65-90, DF 69-90 Trior (5-49-90, CSF 820-57, Triplet: 9/91-25, Na Uni

4.55 (7) 1. Broughton's Péde (Miss Dians Jones, 7-2); 2. Truly Bay (11-4 tar); 3. Buid Habb (4-1), 10 ran, 11, 131, J Eyre, Tote: E1.50; E1.20, E1.10, 21.90, DF: 55.10, Thor 68.30, CSF: E12.49 Treast-EST.22. Plecapol: £34,70.

### Johnston extends fine start to year

MARK JOHNSTON has his horses in excellent form and continued his fine start to the Flat racing season with a short-priced double at Southwell yesterday. The Middleham trainer took his total to 18 winners with the victories of Love Me Do and

Lawn Lothario. Love Me Do had to work hard to land odds of 11-8 on in the Sierra Madre Median Auction Maiden Stakes, After taking command with over five furlongs to run, Joe Fanning, his jockey, had to drive Love Me Do all the way to the line to repel the persistent challenge of Zatopek by a neck. "Joe says he's a bit lazy when he gets to the front," Johnston's wife, Deirdre,

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: CHILL WIND (4.40 Leicester) Next best: Lance Armstrong (3.10 Leicester)

said. "I thought Zatopek was going to collar our fellow in the home straight. He's done his job bravely and stayed on

Conversely, it was plain ailing for Lawn Lothario, the 11-8 favourite, in the Pyrenees Handicap. The rapidly improving three-year-old made all the running and soon quickened clear under Tyrone Williams to beat Millroy by seven lengths. Lawn Lothario will be an interesting proposition on turf.

Darryll Holland did not enjoy the same fortune at Southwell. The jockey received a four-day ban from the stewards after being found guilty of irresponsible riding on Ertlon in the early stages of the Alps Handicap.

> POINT-TO-POINT DETAILS

SUNDAY: MID SURREY FARMERS DRAGHOUNDS (Charmg): Hunt 1, Struggles Glory (D Robinson; 4-5 tav); 2, Dackly Long Leggs; 3, Some Tourist, 6 san. Interface Rese: 1, Mountainous Valley (S R Andrews, 7-1); 2, Stalibridge Bill; 3, Prince's Gill, 17 ran. Contined: 1, American Eyre (Miss S Giadders, 16-1); 2, Monstart; 3, Country Vet. 10 can. Ledles: 1, Tudor Henry (Airs C Mitchell, 16-1); 2, Our Survivor; 3, Sperin View 12 ran. Mem's Open: 1, Stede Quarter (P Bull, 7-1); 2, Burromanner; 3, Annio Chilone, 12 ran. Informediate: 1, Sovereign Spray (P Hacking, 5-2 tav); 2, Stabnidge Gold: 3, Greenfull Ry Anea, 7 ran., Open Midn't 1, Diamond Wind (A Beedles, 5-2 tav); 2, Crock D'Or; 3, Charie Kelly, 16 ran. Open Midn't 1, Greyboury Star (P Bull, 6-1); 2, Shavasgore Hill; 3, Ishma, 17 ran.

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### CATTERICK THUNDERER

1.50 Fire On Ice. 2.20 Cilburnel News. 2.50 Roberty Lea, 3.20 Chummy's Saga. 3.50 FRO (nap), 4.20 Waaver George. 4.50 First Light. Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.50 RELUCKINO.

SOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT IN PLACES) TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

1.50 MEDDLEHAM NOVICES HURDLE (\$2,506: 2m) (14 runners)

2.20 WENSLEY MARES ONLY NOVICES HANDICAP

5-2 Cumbrism Marcino, 6-1 Tyumity, 8-1 Gospel Song, Fire On Ico, 8-1 others.

HURDLE (£2,145: 2m) (15) 3-1 Lundack Lidy, 4-1 Best Of All, 6-1 Parson's Lodge, 7-1 others

2.50 MALTON HOVICES CHASE (£2,895; 2m 3t) (7) 307 FF3D 1805 LAMPURSHT 19 F Muragh 7-10-11. A Dobbin 84 11-4 Roboty Lag. 3-1 Team Fulls, 4-1 Roboty Lag. 3-1 
COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANERS: 1 Easterby, 5 selectings into 12 namers, 41 7%, A Sheeler, 7 lean 18, 38 9%, Mrs. Mi Reveloy, 19 lean 93, 20 4%, J Charn. 6, trom 31, 19 4%, I Luago, 8 lean 46, 17 4%, Mrs. 5 Smalt, 8 lean 99, 11 1%, ADCICEVE: T Elay, 5 warmers from 19 14ces, 28, 3%, A S Smalt, 17 lean 67, 25, 4%, P Carperry, 4 lean 16, 25 0%, P Merc., 19 hom 80, 22 6%, M Mitterrey, 4 lean 24, 16 7%; R Garrilly, 14 lean 91, 15,4%.

3.20 RIPON SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE

7-2 Silver Mare, 5-1 Robsons, Klaschern, 6-1 Past Masser, Chamboy's Saga, 8-1 Cool Sines, Espoint The Robel, 14-1 pitters.

3.50 BARTON NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE

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7-2 Mr. Christle, 9-2 Ruber, 6-1 Pillisingkon, Caeh Box, 7-1 Rehuskoo, 8-1 Fro, 10-1 Cyprists America, 12-7 others 4.20 GRETA BRIDGE HANDICAP CHASE

8-4 Wigner George, 3-1 Newhall Proces. 7-2 Rebail King, 3-1 Jack Doyle 6-1 Marshiptons, 58-1 More Pagains.

4.50 AYSGARTH INTERMEDIATE NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,256: 2m) (13)

11-4 First Light, 3-1 Dente's Gold 5-1 Jeante's Prospect, Thunderpoint, 10-1 Spiri Of Steel, 14-1 Dest On Sy. Cool Rivin, 16-1 offices

# LINGFIELD PARK

2.00 Squire's Occasion. 2.30 Greatest, 3.00 Sounds Lagal, 3.30 Top Shelf, 4.00 Czama. 4.30 Forgotten Times, 5.00 Fabulous Mitoto. GOING; STANDARD DRAW: 8F-1M, LOW BEST SIS

2.00 MARCO POLO APPRENTICES HANDICAP (£2,333. 1m 4f) (5 runners) 1 818- AMADOUR 138 (0.5) P Matrian 4-19-0 .... A MicCorthy (5) 4
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(£2,395: 71) (5) 1 -041 GREATEST 19 (B.CD.F.G) Man S Andrew (F-5-4 D Holland 5 2 DOD ASTINAL WYADER 10 (C.F.S.) M Sources 5-8-10 . J Church 1 3 -220 COM BETTET 21 (C.B.F.G) 1 Manghor 5-8-10 . J Church 1 4 2001 LFT BOY 10 (CD.F.G) G1 Monty 8-8-8 . Cardy Monts 4 5 New Lambour (F) (F) S Dow 4-8-3 . A Daly (S) 3 7-4 Greatest, 2-1 july Boy, 5-1 Box Secret, La Modeste, 8-1 Asital Irradie

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3.30 LIVINGSTONE HANDICAP

1 521- PREMIER B7 (D.G.) M Jamelon 9-7 . . . . . D McKrown 3 2 005- TOP SHELF 118 C Britten B-9 . . . . D Holland 2 3 5221 MEVER GOLF CHARGER 10 (C.G.) 1 Magnitum B-4 6 Sandars 1 4-6 Process, 5-2 Hover Gold Charger, 4-1 Top Shell.

4.00 COOK LIMITED STAKES

11-4 Desert Calm. 4-1 Zahid. 9-2 Lahib., 6-1 Carma, 7-1 Cluque. 8-1 Riedo Equess, Herer Gott Engle. 10-1 others

4.30 WALTER RALEIGH FILLIES HANDICAP

1 2122 FORSOTTER TIMES 7 (CO.G) T Jones 3-9-10 .... N Cartelo 5 2 4110 TACHYCARDIA 32 (CD.F.G) R D'SAMBAD 5-9-4 N YAM'RY (S) 3 3-44 NOPALEA 10 (BP) 1 RASANIN 3-0-13 ... D HORRIS 4 4225 MYSTERY MARTHIAS 35 (P) MES 8 Sanders 4-8-13 S Senders 8 2420 ALLSTARS DANCER 5 1 Nampton 4-8-7 ... R French (7) 1 6 -046 HORRISWAL 11 (D,G) 9 Byront 4-8-4 ... I Chain 2 5-4 Forgotten Times. 4-1 Tachycantia, 9-2 Myslery Mathes, 5-1 piters

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4 0-08 REAL MADARIO 7 (V.C.D.G.S) 6 Enright 6-8-12. Lo Homman (7) 6

5 4225 SHERIAL 13 (B.G) N Timbles 5-8-12. C Restler 9

5 425 HOMESTLY 7 (G) 8 Smort 4-8-11. C Restler 9

7 000- REALINS OF GLORY 138 P Machel 4-8-11. A Clark 10

8 0-04 BAKENS DAUGHTER 15 (CD.G.) J Arnold 5-8-9

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# Dundee stopped on way to promised land

yesterday for Sean Dundee when, figuratively, he had one foot for injury, Dundee, a South African, would have made his debut for Germany against Israel in Tel Aviv ... a most intriguing passport of convenience even by modern sporting standards.

The goalscorer, inevitably dubbed Crocodile, represents either a roman-tic story, or a cynical example of a sportsman abandoning his country for greater glory and profit.

He was born and raised in South Africa. He had a dream, and remark-able self-confidence, bordering on that which took Craig Johnston from Australia to Liverpool via Middles-brough. Indeed, Dundee had written to English clubs, none of which

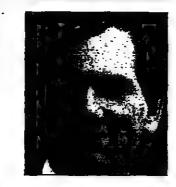
Apparently, in adolescence, his bedroom wall was filled with photographs of Jürgen Klinsmann and Thomas Hässler, and Germany was more welcoming to his talents.

Without a drop of German blood. without a relative or a contact, he worked his passage from Ditzingen, a regional league side, to Stuttgart Kickers, then, two years ago, to the Bundesliga side, Karlsrühe, initially

With passes from Hässier, he quickly fulfilled himself. In his first season, "Crocodile" Dundee netted 16 goals. In his second, he is the league's leading scorer, with 14 goals at the halfway stage of the season.

On December 17, ten days after his 24th birthday, Dundee was officially declared a German citizen. Last week Berti Vogts selected him in the squad for Tel Aviv where, aside from a football match, the German players are to be used as ambassadors, visiting the Holocaust memorial Yad Vashem today.

The white South African with red hair, freckles and an earring, should have been among them. He wanted Sungart on Saturday. Vogts wanted ROB HUGHES



Overseas View

to take him for the experience, but Dr Hans-Wilhelm Müller-Wohlfahrt advised that the four-hour plane journey was anathema to a muscle

So, forlornly, Dundee drove back to the Lower Rhine for treatment. Vogts told him: "Keep your head up, your health comes before everything. it's not the end of the world. You'll get

Meanwhile, taking that chance, will be Dariusz Wosz, the diminutive playmaker from Bochum, a player born in Poland, capped by East Germany, and now ready to make his first appearance for the combined

Germany side on Israeli soil. decide a man's birthright when sporting fortunes are to be made. Even Germany's politicians are di-vided on the Bonn parliament deci-sion to rush Dundee through the "fast track" procedure that grants nationhood quickly to foreigners as a

matter of "public interest". Were you or I to queue for a dozen years, we would not get a German passport — unless you are rather better than me at putting the ball in the net. If political refugees in fear for their lives knocked at Germany's border, they might, after lengthy interrogation, be granted a tempo-

because Germany covers his finishing touch. They wanted him in South Africa, too Last year, before the African Cup of Nations opened in

Johannesburg, Dunder's absence was lamented by his countrymen. They had called him home, but he declined, just as in 1995, Dundee had failing to make a South Africa debut,

ironically against Germany.

South Africans, some of them. actually felt sorry for Dundee. They thought him a misguided young man, chasing the impossible notion, and missing out on the euphoria of the nations cup. Dunder had heard that Vogts looked favourably upon

thing for roe is who is top of the scoring charts." Voges said. "Dundee is dynamic, he is a great header of the ball, he is totally selfish. I hope he keeps his carefree nature, but all strikers are basically

Dundee still wishes to complete the dream of sharing goals with Klinsmann for the new nation. However, while he rests his calf, Oliver Bierhoff, whose goals won the European championship, is fit and scoring again while hig Fredi Bobic, a rapacious scorer for VIB Stuttgart, needs to impress in the national

Then there is Heiko Herrlich, of the champions, Borussia Dortmund, and Ulf Kirsten, the former East German leading Bayer Leveriousen. Temporarily off the scent, Dundee

cannot now get another chance until the World Cup qualifying match against Albania in Tirana on April 2. Meanwhile, in the real world, he stores up envy and enemies. Newspa-pers splash his love affairs on their front page, and on the back there are rumours that Bayern Munich plan to

If and when things sour in his new existence, there may be no going back, for some South Africans regard



Dundee celebrates a goal during his prolific career in Germany

# Stockport aim ale enj to provide omfor sound surface

By PETER BALL

STOCKPORT County's Coca-Cola Cup run to tomorrows semi-final against Middles-brough has had its cost Stockport are spending some Fi2,000 relaying a third of the Edgley Park playing area to make sure that the first leggoes ahead after being postponed last week.

The work started iast Thursday, and will be completed in time for the cup-tie tomorrow. Many second division teams playing a Premiership side might have been tempted to hope for a poor pitch, but that is not Stockport's way.

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"We want a good pitch,"
David Jones, the impressive
young Stockport manager,
said yesterday. "We like to
play football, and we think
that is our best chance of
beating Middlesbrough."

Having had to postpone this
game from its original date,
after a postponement of the
fourth-round tie with West
Ham United, and a replay at

Ham United, and a replay at Southampton, the liffie Cheshire club are facing a serious fixture pale-up, which could hamper their main ambinon.

They and Wrexham, whose FA Cup run has brought similar problems, contacted the Nationwide Footial League seeking help, along with Maintiester City, who are concerned that Northern ireland's World Cup quality ing matches with Portugal and Ukraine will discopt their Easter programme, with Lo-mat, Horlock, Whitley and Tommy Wright all likely to be in Bryan Hamilton's squad. While there is no Premiership programme on Easter Monday, and most of the

gramme on both days. "Although we knew it was a World Cup week, we did not have specific dates when our fixtures were arranged," Chris Hull, a League spokesman, said yesterday.

The fact that both Northern Ireland and Scotland are playing on the Saturday and then again a few days later means we will lose the weekend as well as the following

"It becomes an even more difficult balancing act for us, but we feel that there will be no real problem in fitting in all the games. There is no question of the Football League extending the season beyond the final scheduled. ekend of May 3 and 4."

ing David May, their central gaining full match fitness in time for the European Cup quarter-final first leg with FC Porto at Old Trafford next week. May, who made a brief appearance as a substitute at tingham Forest tomorrow and in the first team against Coventry on Saturday, even if Roomie Johnsen has recovered

Norwich, who play at Southend tonight, hope to have bolstered their leaky defence by signing Kevin Scott, from Tottenham Hotspur, for £250,000. in the second division,

Burnley go to Blackpool in the throes of an injury crisis for a revive their faltering play-off hopes, but will have to do so without Weller, Smith and Gleghorn of their regular midfield. We've very short of Premiership fixinges original. Gleghorn of their regular ly planned for Baster Satur. midfield. We've very short of day have been played ahead of options in the middle of the schedule, there is a fall park. Adrian Heath, the

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Keller, in demand

# Keller juggles divided loyalties across the Atlantic

has helped him to become the No I goalkeeper with the United States national team, but there is a drawback. His diary is swelling with appointments on both sides of the Atlantic and Keller is not sure

where his priority lies. He is passionate about Leicester City, who turn their attention towards the FA Cup tomorrow night, when they visit Chelses in a fifth-round replay, and who still harbour hopes of reaching Wembley in the Coca-Cola Cup. Mean-while, the United States have reached the last qualifying stage in their North and Central America region for the 1998 World Cup finals and face (en games this year

dilemma, a hostage to the feature in France. Unfortunately for Keller, those internationals do

Leicester against Wimbledon on Saturday. Two games follow in March, against Canada and Costa

"If I am in one place, I always seem to be thinking about the other," Keller said. "I was in America the day before our game against Guatemala last year when I heard that Leicester had lost 20 to Derby and it was a huge distraction. It must have been the disappointed so close to his debut

ATHLETICS

Richard Hobson talks to a goalkeeper for

whom success is not without its problems

miss a four-country tournament in the United States to remain in Leicester. In so doing, he gave Brad Friedel, his closest vival, the opportunity to push his own claims

for more important games.

Thus it was that Keller considered returning home last year for the first season of the new professional league. "In many ways, it would have been a retrograde step because the quality of football in Ringhand is much higher, but it would have solved the problem,"

games in Europe.

Thus Keller will begin his transatiantic existence this weekend by playing for the United States in Jamaica on Sunday rather than for too. Last month, he was allowed to tracts star players centrally before a formounter transactory to allocating them among its ten allocating them among its ten clubs, declined to meet Millwall's asking price of \$1.5 million. Leicester had no such qualities about paying the English equiva-lent of around £800,000 in the

> His reputation remains untainsed by his commitments in England. "Football is growing back home and there is a bit of mystique about me because I am hardly there," he said. "Before Gustema ta, I realised I had become the folk

gave me a certain aura, but it is not something I would try to cultivate." Such words reveal something of Keller's scademic background. He studied sociology at the University, of Portland in Oregon and the close to completing his degree. African history, when he accepted a said: "Most professional sports an offer from Bruce Rioch, then the men back home come through the Millwall manager, who had sport collegiate system. A good sports ted him on a ceaching tracts the faculty can bring in hig bucks for United States. Since then, Keller, "the university, so we were treated 28, has taken correspondence

Not that his knowledge of social science has been of much use in deciphering the manifest of life in an English football dressing roofs. In class, you deal with what people are supposed to do not hooffelf. COURSES. ers usually seem to do the exact

opposite" he said. "If I say to somebody: You should not have say: What are you on?

Keller was 14 when he stopped playing backetball competitively and carolled at Portland because it

faculty can bring in big bucks for the university, so we were treated like professional sportsmen rather than students. There was a lot of media interest and the standing joke was that I was the most interviewed goy on local television after file Fortland Trailblazers [bishedfell] team." Now the problem is swinging his way



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**RUGBY UNION** 

# Sale enjoy home comfort as they chase historic win

By DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

IF SALE are to reach the final of the Pilkington Cup for the first time, they will have to inflict yet another defeat upon Harlequins. But having done so twice in the league this season, they will fancy their chances of an appearance at Twickenham after Phil de Glanville, the England captain, drew their name first from the hat yesterday, giving them home advantage in the semi-finals on March 29.

Not that John Mitchell the Sale player-coach, will make from the hard school of New Zealand realism. "Our two wins against Harlequins will count for nothing on this occasion." Mitchell said. They will have a team chockfull of internationals, more used to the environment they will encounter, while our difficulty will be the sheer size of

quarter-finals last weekend as the bookmakers' favourites, a dublous privilege that has now passed to Leicester. They must make the familiar trip to Kingsholm to play Gloucester, having already travelled twice in this competition to overcome substantial opponents in Bath, the holders, and Newcastle, though it is planned in future seasons, given Rugby Football Union approval, to hold the semifinals on neutral grounds, as

The prospect of a Harlequins-Leicester final remains strong (the two met in the 1993 final) but many neutrals, not to mention the sponsors from their northwest stronghold, would welcome the appearance of a fresh name in Sale. Who is to say they will not get

find more consistency.

The major aspiration is to

games to eatch up and clubs

like Bath and Leicester to play.

But the attitude of the players

has been great they have

become more disciplined,

mentally disciplined - they don't realise yet what they can become. We are still some

months away from some of the

goals I have set physically but

The meeting between Gloucester and Leicester will

be the second in eight days, since Leicester are also due at

Kingsholm in a league match on March 22. That may be

reminiscent of 1990, when Leicester lost a home league

game with Bath and, eight

days, later, knocked Bath out

of the cup, but it will be an

uncomfortable meeting with

vails, Gloucester brought the

best out of Bath in the semi-

finals last season. The ground will be packed to the

rafters and the whole atmo-

sphere will be tremendous,"

Richard Hill, the Gloucester

Gloucester will be seen as the

underdogs but that will suit

Leicester, but we should not be

underestimated. We have not

played well recently but we

are going to hit top form at

some stage — this would be a

Swansea, having knocked

Pontypridd, the holders, out of

the Swalec Cup, must now

travel to Neath in the quarter-

finals on March 22. They trod the same road in winning the

trophy in 1995 and still hope

for a league and cup double with which to reward Mike

Ruddock, their coach, who is:

considering a position with

Llanelli, drawn against sec-

and-division Pontypool, meet-

the Welsh Rugby Union today

to discuss the terms of a loan from the union, having cut the

contracts of all their players

who will become free agents at

"I think there is a mutual

understanding of the prob-

lems," Stuart Gallacher, the

Llanelli chairman, said. "It is

very difficult but the players

offer and we will discuss their

contracts again at the end of

SWALEC CUP: Quarter-finale: Cardiff v South Wates Police; Ebbw Vale v Treorchy or Bridgend; Llamell v Portypool; Neath v Swensse.

Leinster in Dublin.

the end of this season.

good time to do it."

To the outside world

director of rugby, said.

Whatever their league tra-

the 20-1 outsiders.

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Sale put the first spoke into Harlequins' league wheels at the end of October when two tries from Dewi Morris contributed to a 24-13-victory at Heywood Road; they followed that earlier this month with a 31-30 win at the Stoop Memorial Ground, an away success subsequently enhanced by the

> DRAW SEMILENALS Glaucenter v Leicester Sale v Hartequins

Malches to be played on March 29 defeat of Northampton in the

cup on Saturday. That game removed Nick Beal, the Northampton full back, from the A international with France on Friday because of a knee injury; rubbing salt into his wound will be the fact that Jim Mallinder, Sale's

captain, will replace him.

"Jim is a wonderful guy to work with," Mitchell, formerly the Walkato No 8 and captain, said. "He and Steve Diamond [Sale's hooker] are

# Barbarians remain in Leicester hearts

By DAVID HANDS

team will be missing tonight, Leicester will make positive attempts to shore up their longstanding fixture with the Barbarians. League commitments forced the postponement from the normal Christmas date and representative calls have cost Leicester eight players, but they hope the fixture will not decline in

The game at Welford Road has long been the jewel in the Barbarians' crown, but league rugby and now professionalism have hurt the guest club. However, Leicester's strong membership looks forward to its annual holiday points spree and Peter Wheeler, the chief executive, is optimistic that future structured seasons will make allowance for this

traditional game. There are local interests who would be happy to sponsor the game, to make sure that the Barbarians were

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THOUGH half their regular able to field an attractive the family atmosphere at Leicester, which the club is

Leicester have four players with England's senior squad and three with the A squad preparing for weekend games with France, while they expect Leon Lloyd, their young wing, to be involved in the under-21 international between the two

Francois Pienaar. damaged his hamstring playing for Saracens on Sunday. had withdrawn from the Barbarian XV and his place goes to Mark Richardson, from Aspatria. Federico Méndez, who is now the Bath hooker. leads a strong Argentine contingent that also includes

team," Wheeler said, "even if that meant bringing players and their families from the southern hemisphere." Such a gesture would accord with

Lisandro Arbizu, the Argentina captain.



Cronin has not given up hope of playing for Scotland in the 1999 World Cup

# Cronin bounces back on to international stage

By MARK SOUSTER

ALTHOUGH his rugby obituary has been penned on several occasions, Damian Cronin, of Wasps, proved yesterday, by his recall to the Scotland squad, that it is premature to write him off completely.

The 33-year-old Wasps lock forward has leapfrogged other contenders to replace Shade Munro, of Glasgow High/ Kelvinside, who has been withdrawn because of a knee injury that is likely to prevent him from playing for six weeks. He last played for cember and this year had not even been considered for his

country's A team. Cronin was as surprised as anyone by the sudden change have agreed to what was on in his fortunes, although he said yesterday that he had never given up hope of playing for Scotland again and that the 1999 World up remains a realistic goal. He will learn this morning whether he will win his 41st cap against Ireland when the team is announced at Murrayfield, although, it is more likely that he will be named as a replacement. with Doddie Weir and Andy Reed, Cronin's Wasps colleague, starting the match in the second row.

Despite his Scottish pedi-gree, Cronin will not be a target for London Scottish. who yesterday announced that they had signed Derrick Lee, the talented Watsonians full back, on a three-year contract. The Exiles expect five other next month's deadline. Two, from South Africa but with Scottish qualifications, have been recommended by John Allan, the former Scotland international, who takes over as coach at the club in July. while the other three are playing in England. Lee, 22, believes the move south will bolster his chances of playing for Scotland.

London Scottish confirmed yesterday that the club will seek a stock market flotation in two years, by which time it intends to be in the first division of the Courage Clubs Championship. The flotation is expected to raise £5 million towards the joint redevelop-ment with Richmond of the Richmond Athletic Ground, which the two clubs share. Private investors have pledged an immediate £1.5 million to finance London Scottish's promotion drive; it is intended too, to exploit commercial opportunities offered by the

London Scottish brand name. Closer links with the Scottish Rugby Union are also being discussed. "We intend to be the prime destination for leading Scottish players wishing to play in England, so that the development of strong playing partnerships will ben-efit the Scotland XV," Richard Yerbury, the chief executive,

RUGBY LEAGUE

### Keighley prepare to take on holders

By CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

NOT long ago, Keighley Cougars were staring at possible closure: now, they are almost within sight of Wembley. After some troubled times, it seems things are looking up.
Administrators are still

overseeing the affairs of the first division club, but, for the first time in 21 years, Keighley are in the quarter-finals of the Silk Cut Challenge Cup, in which they were given a home draw against the holders. St Helens, yesterday. It is a match that has temporarily set aside well-publicised financial difficulties.

Daryl Powell impressed in his biggest test in an embry-onic coaching career by plot-ting the defeat of Halifax on Sunday. The former Great Britain stand-off half also

### QUARTER-FINALS

Metches to be played on March 8 and 9

played his full part on the pitch in the 21-8 defeat of the Super League outfit, although he admitted that St Helens present an altogether different proposition in the last

Obviously I'm pleased we're at home, but St Helens are the best side in the country right now and it will be difficult for us," Powell said. We have to concentrate on ourselves and look to come up with our best performance However, St Helens will still be missing the suspended Bobbie Goulding and Derek McVey, their influential Australian forward, who suffered a suspected fractured wrist in

the fifth-round defeat of Hull. Featherstone Rovers, the only other first division survivors, are at Leeds, who beat them in the semi-finals two seasons ago. Bradford Bulls are having to reach Wembley for a second year the hard way, with a third successive away draw, this time at Oldham. Warrington, too, had the luck of the draw in getting a third consecutive home tie. although Salford might prove tougher opposition than did

Barrow and Sheffield Eagles. Bradford were linked yesterday to a takeover of York, presumably as a feeder club. The second division club was offered for sale for £1 last week. Chris Caisley, Bradford chairman, said: Our strategic plan is to expand our supporter base to a national level and anything which will assist that is wor-

thy of consideration." The Rugby Football League is to appoint a new development officer for Wales to reinforce efforts to promote rugby league in the Principality.

TODAYSFOXTURES

IN BRIEF **Aggrieved** 

# badminton player puts her case

JOANNE MUGGERIDGE. England's leading woman badminton player, has written a letter of complaint to Geoffrey Snowden, the chief executive of the Badminton Association of England (BA of E) about her removal from the national training squad.

Muggeridge claims that Steve Baddeley, the England manager, is jeopardising her future by refusing to include her in the squad and declining to fund her to tournaments. An argument between her and Baddeley on Friday ended with her pouring a can of drink over him.

"My fitness is not in doubt. I have recently returned from the Indian Open where I reached the semi-finals." Muggeridge said, "I am unable to fund myself without the support of the BA of E. so it is easy for them to have control over my career."

Baddeley said he was asking Muggeridge's training to be monitored by Asger Madsen, the national coach. "If she does this and if there is an improvement, then she could be put back into the

### Final repeat

Hockey: Old Loughtonians and Reading were yesterday drawn against each other in the sixth round of the Hockey Association Cup in a repeat of last year's final, which Reading won on penalty strokes after a 2-2 draw.

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### Joint celebration

Cycling: Matthew Postle and Luca Scinto each had some thing to celebrate at the end of yesterday's mountain-top fin-ish to the 71-kilometre lifth stage of the tour of Langkawi in Malaysia. For the Welshman it was retaining the red jersey as overall leader in the King of the Mountains: Scinto, of Italy, won the stage and kept the overall lead.

### Cool Cockcroft

Rackets: Tom Cockroft and Rupert Owen-Brown, the No I seeds, won the amateur doubles championship at Queen's Club, beating Willie Boone and Matthew Windows 15-9, 12-15, 18-14, 15-6, 15-12 in the final. Cockroft dominated the last two games and steadied his hard-hitting partner.

### New money

Golf: Prize-money at the Open championship at Royal Troon in July has jumped from £1.4 million last year to £1.6 million, with the winner's cheque being increased from £200,000 to £250,000. The first prize is double the amount John Daly won at St Andrews two years ago.

### BOWLS

### **England** omit former champions

WENDY LINE, the 1986 Commonwealth. Games. champion, who won the silver medal in the world outdoor singles championship at Royal Learnington Spa last sum-mer, has been left out of the England women's team for the Atlantic Rim Games in Llandrindod in August (David Rhys Jones writes). The even more surprising

omission of Norma Shaw, the 1985 world champion, denies her the chance to defend the Atlantic title she won in South Atlantic two years ago, but the inclusion of Katherine Hawes, 26, suggests that the selectors have decided to go for younger players. Mary Price, 53, who won

the national outdoor singles title for the second time last September, beating Hawes in the final, has her first chance to challenge for a significant international singles title, having previously been employed at the back end of England's triples and fours. Price showed her versatility

last month when she partnered John Bell to the Merrylands International mixed pairs title in Sydney. With Price engaged in singles and pairs, Shirley Page, Who made her debut as an international skip in the series last year, will skip in triples and fours. Jean Baker and Gill Fitzgerald, who played in the world championships, have retained their places.

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### BOXING

### Rhodes in no mood to let his title slip

RYAN RHODES, the Sheffield light-middleweight who is being tipped to follow in the footsteps of his stablemate, Nascem Hamed, defends his British title tonight (Srikumar

Rhodes, who is the youngest at 20, to win the British title for 57 years, meets Peter Waudby, of Hull, at the Hillsborough Leisure Centre. Sheffield, and should put on a show the has the flamboyant Hamed routine) to confirm that he is world championship material.

Wandby is not in the same league as Rhodes, nor has he met anyone of the champion's class. So he should not cause too much trouble. Waudby has won 15 of his 20 contests but has so far not revealed a punch to worry Rhodes. In his four defeats he has not shown the temperament needed to stand up to the pressure Rhodes puts on opponents, hitting them with unorthodox blows from all angles.

Rhodes, on the other hand, has been successful at a higher level, stopping Paul Jones, a former World Boxing Organisation champion, in eight rounds to win his British title. A year ago, Jones had little trouble outpointing Waudby.

The gap in the abilities of the two men is underlined by their performances against a common opponent in Seamus Casey. Whereas Wandby outpointed Casey three times over six rounds, Rhodes needed just one round to knock out the journeyman.

### FOOTBALL Nationwide League

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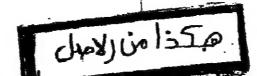
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open-minded, international outlook on coaching that is a

lesson to other sports. Bob Janusek. from Czechoslovakia, radically ex-

panded horizons 20 years ago, while

Jurgen Grobler, from the former East

Germany, has been the brains be-

hind the success of Steve Redgrave

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Realising, after a fourth consecu-

tive defeat, last year, the extent of the

technical gulf between the historic

Boat Race rivals, Dan Topolski, for so

long the Oxford guru, asked

Mijnders if he would help Oxford to stop the rot. The Holland eight had

just won the gold medal at the Olympics in Atlanta and Mijnders

was anxious for fresh fields. Finan-

cially unambitious, he was seeking

new experience rather than commer-

you can find nowhere else in the

world," Mijnders said yesterday at

the announcement of the crews for an event, sponsored by Beefeater, that

continues to hold its place among the

top ten of sport's live television

audiences: last year seven million. "It

"The Boat Race has a special magic

the Holland national team.

# Mijnders looking after Oxford's interest

David Miller considers the latest cosmopolitan effort by the Dark Blues

to reverse their stubborn losing sequence in the University Boat Race

is the most famous of races, even though foreigners know little of the detail and background."

Of regular events, only the Grand National, the men's singles final at Wimbledon, the FA Cup Final and one or two matches of the five nations' championship have regularly surpassed the Boat Race audience. so sustaining present figures at the time of declining audiences is testimony to the continuing appeal of this idiosyncratic British occasion.

As the new head coach at Oxford. Mijnders is hard at work with a crew of formidable potential, though not without that slight undercurrent of in-house controversy that often characterises this race.

The massive 15st Roberto Blanda, from the Italy Olympic eight, and Luka Grubor, of Croatia, were able to produce academic qualifications that, having fallen short of the rigours of Cambridge tutorial-standards, managed to satisfy those at the other place. Oxford's pursuit of former eminence, created by Topolski, is "It was such a deep trough [we

contender in coxed fours in the mid-80s, has the relaxed mood of famous. Dutch football coaches, such as Rimus Michels and Leo Beenhakker.

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What I especially like is the mixture in the group, high class. rowers and younger, promising ju-niors," Mijnders said, "It's a very healthy environment for improvement and the standard is higher than I expected. Their boat speed is close to: the Dutch eight, though I don't think they're Olympic champions! They are young, which means they are eager and quick to listen and learn."

Andrew Lindsay, 20, a bronze medal-winner in British junior eights three years ago, who has been working in Africa for a year before arriving at Brasenose, is oft lin yet is dwarfed by Blanda, Grubor and James Roycroft, all of whom stand oft bin. Height and reach, if co-ordinated, have no disadvantageous upper limit in rowing, because less compression of trunk and legs is then required on the sliding seat to achieve

biggest crews ever.
Mijnders agrees, but makes the contrasting point that big men tend to be lazy, relying on their size, and that the shorter oarsman is accustomed to having to be more competitive. The combination of Mijnders's technique and Topolski's unrivalled tideway knowhow could, indeed, he for-

"It [Oxford's acquisitions] will make it very tough for us," Robin Williams, the Cambridge coach, said. They ve got the edge in power ... but only an edge. Having Tim Foster fregarded as one of the best carsmen in Britain] is really valuable to them. We know what we have to do."

Mijnders said that his focus is on efficiency in technique rather than sheer strength. It is a view that those who appoint national coaches in football, cricket and tennis would do well to beed.

Beefeater, whose enthusiasm as sponsor remains undiminished, is intending to turn the day into something of a carnival, broadening the appeal of a day out by the river. "We want to attract a young element and more tourists for the occasion," a spokesman said. For the first time, details of the race will be

# A great aunt from Hell

Interval: News from North Britain. Radio 3, 8.35pm.

This 20-minute short story slot during the evening chamber music concert is finding some excellent stories. Tonight's is Willemena's Metaphor by the Glasgow journalist Beatrice Colin and concerns a young boy, Robert, who is sent to stay with his Great Aunt Willemena young his parents take a holiday. Willemena is, shall we say, while his parents take a holiday. Willemena and the reluctant boy eccentric the story begins with Willemena and the reluctant boy carrying out an armed robbery ('she whipped an ancient hunting rifle from the depths of her tracksuit bottoms'). Willemena is also given to striding naked through the garden of her mansion or given to striding naked through the garden of her mansion or shouting abuse at Noel Edmonds on television: "You look like a

Novel America: Tales of the City. Radio 4, 10.00am (FM).

The prospect of a series in which someone "encounters America for the prospect of a series in which someone "encounters America for the first time" can produce a groan even in polite company, for surely we have been this way before. But of course the success of these projects depends upon who is doing the encountering, and how. Martin Wainwright is the travelling reporter and he finds fresh insights by using as a platform four American novels. The series is in effect a search for real examples of fictional characters and the nee is insights by using as a platform four American flowers and the peg is effect a search for real examples of fictional characters and the peg is stone enough to support a goodly cluster of insights. This morning's opener has Wainwoight in San Francisco, the setting for Armistead Maupin's novels featuring Mary Ann Singleton.

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### CLASSIC FM

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Includes D'Indy (Introduction to Fervast); Casteloutie (Songs of fire Auvergre, Series 5); Breims (String Sextet No 2 in G. Op 36)

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1.00pm The BBC Orchestras.
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Orchestra, under George
Hurst. With Martin Roscos,
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Scherzo and Rinale); Felia
(Rights in the Gardens of
Spain); Dvotišk (Symphony
No 8 in D) (f)
35 Ensemble. Penny Gore
Introducer a recital by Lucy
Jeal, violin, and Julian Milford,
plano. Mozant (Violin Sonata
in C, K303); Braitines (Violin
Sonata No 2 in A. Op 100);
Ravel (Tzigane) (f)

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Music Machine, Charles Hazlawood talks to Roderick Swinston about the history of bediground music from Bach to Mentovani

to Mentoveni 5.15 in Tuse, with Geotirey Besterville. Includes Albentz (Repsodie Espenote); Caplel (Two Sormets); Britlen (Cello

# 7.45 Chamber Music from Edinburgh, Linde Ormiston Introduces a live recital from the Queen's Hall of leider by Mozzat and Beathoven given by the baritone Old Bar. including Mozert (Im Fruhlingsenlang, K597; Abendemplindung, K523; Die ihr des Unermessiichen Weitalia, K819); Besthoven (An die Ferne Geliebte) 8.35 News from North Britain, See

Choice 8.55 Concert Part 2. Beethoven (Songs on verses by Goethe and Gellert); Sicher (Songs arranged from Beethover's sonates and symphonies) 9.45 Notes: Chronosonics.

Stephen Connor presents the second of five explorations of second of the septrations of modern sounds

9.55 The BBC Orchestres, under Robert Zisgler, ibert (Feerique); Florent Schmitt (Kermesse-Valse, L'everstell de Leaguert Litter

(Kermese-Valse, L'eventesi de Jeanne); Auber (Habenera); Coppola (Deux Danses Symphoriques); Auric (Ouverture); Bert (Valse, L'evente) de Jeanne); Honegger (Rugby); Rebaud (Eglogue); Duperc (Aux Ebolies) i Night Wevee. A look at the latest work of Sir Isalah Berlin, a collection of esseys entitled The Proper Study of Mankind. With Patrick Wright and guests

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6.00 Sht O'Clock News 6.30 A Square of One's Own, by Ivan Shakespeare. The

the life and times of the Biography Group. With Nigs Ashdown and Matthew Bell (n) 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 File on Four, with Julian O'Halloran, Reports on

important issues of the week 8.00 Science Now, with Peter Evans, A weekly noundup of scientific news (r) 8.30 The Reith Lectures, The

American Professor Patricia
J. Williams discusses Issued free and etinicity in the first of this year's five lectures.

9.00 In Touch. Peter White with news for visually impaired people.

9.30 Kaleidoscope (r) 9.59

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11.30 Word of Mouth (FM).
Russell Davies explores

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joined by John Hegley, Mark Thomas, Miles Kington and Date Keane for the unusual look at Reseture 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarks

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of music (3/6)
3.00 The Afternoon Shift, with Daire Brehan.
4.00 News 4.05 Kaleldoscope.
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Pheesants and a Billy Gou by Alex Baird, Read by Gerard McSorley 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weether

Russell Davies explores
words and the way we speak.
This week he looks at names
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children (2/6) (r)
11.30 Today in Parliament (LW)
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12.30am The Late Book: I Am
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2230sm The Liste Books | Am Stiff the Greatest Says Johnny Angelo, by Nik Cotri: Read by John Guerrasio (2/3) 12.48 Stipping Forecast 1.00 As World Service

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were inl." Topolski said. "Rene is brilliant on technique, so I went and got him. He wanted other things. Already he's produced an easy flexibility in the crew, with confidence

Mijnders: head coach

length of stroke.

"The less you are compressed, the more explosive your stroke can be." GOLF: PRECISION ON GREENS THE KEY TO RARE SUCCESSFUL DEFENCE OF PRESIDENT'S PUTTER

# Rotheroe's accuracy swells Rye's elite ranks

By JOHN HOPKINS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT

THE ferries, their hatches well battened down, ploughed through the choppy Channel, and in Rye harbour the fisher-men declined to put to sea and face winds of 75mph. On shore, meanwhile, the President's Putter ended at Rye when Charlie Rotheroe successfully defended his title.

beating Simon Ellis 3 and 2. Rotheroe's was not a unique achievement because four men had done it before him. but it was certainly an unusu-

### RESULTS

SEMI-PINALS: C R Rotheroe (Oxford)

FINAL: Rotheros bt Ells 3 and 2.

al one. Ernest Holderness Roger Wethered, Leonard Crawley and Gordon Huddy are the only other men to have won the Putter in successive years, Huddy the most recent in 1954 and 1955. All four were, or became, distinguished Walker Cup players, and when Rotheroe. 29, a banker and modest enough to realise that such achievements are probably beyond him, heard

this, he blushed and said:

Distinguished names. I'm

afraid I'm rather letting the

What was almost as unusual as Rotheroe's successful defence was the absence of dogs. Usually, the final attracts a collection of retrievers and black labradors who give every impression of taking their elderly owners for a gentle afternoon walk. Per-haps their absence was because the final was held on a Monday, not a Sunday,

Ellis plays off one, Rotheroe off plus one. Ellis has a grip that purists might cavil at, with his right index finger down the shaft, while Rotheroe appears effortlessly classical, a neat and tidy swinger and dresser and a powerful hitter. It was a pleasure to watch two men playing so quickly and well on a day when the south wind rushed in at 40mph even on land.

Ellis, 32, has a reputation for being an uneasy putter, a reflection on him rather than the quality of Rye's excellent greens. On the 7th, he had a chance to go two up, but made a nervous stab there and on the 8th. To make matters worse, Rotheroe putted beautifully, with a backswing so low that his club-head rarely seemed to be off the ground. Rotheroe's deadly putting con-tributed to his defeat of Andy Woolnough in the morning semi-final and underpinned his victory over Ellis.



Rotheroe, who became only the fifth player to retain his title, watches as Ellis putts on the 10th yesterday

Ellis could have won the 10th, and should have won the 11th when Rotheroe hit a quick hook that whizzed between the legs of one spectator and hit another in the back. Ellis missed another short putt on the 13th, and now Rotheroe was two up.

Perhaps Ellis was a little unlucky on the 15th, when Rotheroe's seven-iron pitch and run from 50 yards crashed into the flag-stick. This was his third stroke on the hole and Ellis's mistake thereafter was to chip poorly and putt poorly - again.

James Wattana, of Thailand.

too hard, ended a depressing

sequence of five consecutive

defeats by beating Anthony Hamilton 5-3. Morgan, the

No 9 seed, who compiled breaks of 65, 64 and 53, will

now meet Alan McManus or

Darren Clarke in the last 16.

O Sullivan flew home. Darren Morgan, who has often been accused of trying

The end was nigh. On the 16th, Ellis hit a fine second shot to the back of the green and then watched in horror as his first putt stopped 21 feet or so from the flag. This was precisely what he did not want. He had missed so many of them and, sure enough, this

putt caught the back of the hole and kicked away. Ellis proved one of golf's oldest maxims: that you can get away with crooked driving and can hit poor second shots. but if you cannot hole putts then you are making life very difficult for yourself.

SNOOKER: BRITON BOWS OUT WITH BAD GRACE IN FIRST-ROUND SURRENDER

# Petulant O'Sullivan hits pique form

FROM PHIL YATES

THE petulance that periodically resurfaces in the psyche of Ronnie O'Sullivan cost him a place in the European Open here in Malta yesterday. O'Sullivan was beaten 5-1 by Chris Small in the first round of the world-ranking loumament.

Trailing 41, O'Sullivan displayed a total disregard for his leading lights by all but shoul-

dering arms. By indiscriminately powering the balls around the table, and attempting outlandish pots, he also lost the respect of many among the sizeable crowd.

"He should have at least put up a show for them. It was obvious they came to see Ronnie, not me," Small, a Scot with a methodical approach, said. These antics happened when I was 4-I up so he should have given me a bit of respect

O'Sullivan, who showed a

### WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 42 ILLUK

MUSEAU

(c) The name used in Sri Lanka (Ceylon) for a coarse grass, Imperata cylindrica. The Sinhalese word. The grass of Talawa is usually long and coarse, very different from the average patana.

(b) Or mooter, marijuana. US slang, origin unknown. "All the time he was in the asylum he kept waiting for a big train to pull in with a cardoad of mutu just for him." \* KARABINER

(c) A coupling device consisting of a metal oval or D-shaped link with a gate protected against accidental opening. A mountaineering gadget. A shortened form of the German karabiner-haken a sping-hook. Chris Bonington. 1973: "A jerk—you drop three linches. But you're alive! The knot in the sling attached to the karabiner in your waist harness has jammed on the gate of the karabiner, and had then freed itself, letting you

(a) A person's face. From the French for the muzzle or snoot of an animal. A favourite word of D. H. Lawrence. Eg in St Mawr. 1925: "She, with her odd little museau, not exactly pretty, but very

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE 1 ... Nxh2t and if 2 Kxh2 Rh6+ or 2 Qxh2 Rh6 winning the white queen in

similar attitude when losing in to deal with." Small goes forward to meet his compara number of first-round matches last season, has benefited from a much greater riot. Evan Henderson, or

> Asian Classic and German Open titles. As no player has prevailed at all four overseas ranking events in the same season. O'Sullivan should have been highly motivated to complete the third leg of a potential grand slam. Instead he offered only token resistence. "I am

playing terribly and I couldn't

degree of commitment this

campaign and, as a conse-

quence, has captured the

wait to get out of there." O'Sullivan said. "I hate the game - I don't want to play any more." The natural ability of O'Sullivan, who once said that he was contemplating retirement after a quarter-final defeat by Ken Doherty in the 1994 United Kingdom championship, is matched only by his unpredictability. One day he is at peace with the world,

against him. Small, responsible for the elimination of Steve Davis from the second round of the International Open in Aberdeen last week, recovered from the loss of the first frame with runs of 45, 79 and 44 as he moved 4-1 ahead before O'Sullivan's ball-thrashing shattered his opponent's concentration.

ning the sixth frame on the

the next he believes it to be

Steve Davis, who earlier in the month ended two years without a title by triumphing at the Benson and Hedges Masters, still found himself the victim of a totally unexpected 5-0 first-round whitewash against Stephen Lee, the "I didn't know what was world No 31 from Trowbridge going on." Small, who made a - even though the former world champion's desire to series of mistakes before win-

O'Sullivan: yielded

# Storm breeze into play-offs in style

ICE HOCKEY

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

for Ayr.

not enjoyed unalloyed success during their first season at the top level of the British game. They did, bowever, complete their Superleague programme on a high note at the Vynex Arena on Sunday in frunt of a British record crowd of 17.245 with a 6-2 victory over Sheffield Steelers.

After Ron Shudra had given the visitors the lead in the fourth minute, Stephen Cooper and Brad Turner struck back for Manchester, but a goal for Sheffield by Frank Kovacs late in the first period saw the teams go in for the first interval with the score tied at 2-2. Thirteen seconds after the break, Mike Morin put Manchester ahead again and goals by Nick Poole. Morin and Jeff Lindsay in the third period completed a memorable victory that will put the Storm in good heart for the play-offs, which begin later this week.

Ayr Scottish Eagles also appear to be running into form at the right time, having followed their away victory over Nottingham Panthers with their biggest win of the season, 10-2 at home to Basingstoke Bison, a result which confirms Bison in bottom place. In front of a more modest full house of 2.733, Ayr skated to a 4-0 lead in the first

### MANCHESTER Storm have 16 minutes and kept up the pressure throughout, raining a total of 59 shots on Lloyd Clifford in the visitors' goal.

Bracknell Bees, away to Newcastle Cobras, who had shocked Cardiff Devils, the

Scott Young and Markus

Berwanger each scored twice

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new champions, on Saturday night, took full advantage of penalties to their opponents, scoring five power-play goals in their 8-4 victory. Bracknell's main scorers were Dale Junkin with two goals and two assists and Shane McCosh, who contributed

The eight Superleague

four assists.

teams now divide into two groups of four for the championship play-offs, the top two in each group qualifying for the semi-finals at the Nynex

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Ray Mears's World of Surbuild a shelter?". Up in the frozen vival (BBC2)? Well, it sends a Arctic for the first instalment, shiver of anxiety through the body. Mears joined various Inuits for Who is Ray Mears? Should I know igloo-construction lessons; he also who he is? Does everybody except watched them hunt, fish, catch me know who he is? "He was in seals, and make fluffy honners Tracks," comes the answer; "He is from the fur of caribou. The igloobuilding revealed an unexpected drawback for people of a sensitive disposition: ice blocks make the a survival expert. He can skin rabbits and stuff like that." It's just so worning when people get their names in titles and they're not Alec same sound as polystyrene -Guinness or Jeremy Clarkson. squeak, creak, squeak. This is bad Calling this series Ray Mears's World of Survival is a bullish news for any Arctic dweller whose nerve ends revolt at the sound of challenge; it's the equivalent of a fingernail on blackboard. "No, I'll be all right," they call from the dog sled (fatally). "I've got a blanket first novel appearing straight on the "bestseller" shelf in a bookshop, so that the consumer is here somewhere!" caught on the back foot. "How on

The bad news for Mears himself earth," one asks, rubbing one's was that, encased head to toe in his head, "did this famed Ray Mears caribou-ensemble, he was still as pass me by? unknown by the end of the Actually, you wouldn't want to programme as at the beginning. This strike series. It fills the gap left He was just a big bloke in moon by Desert Island Discs ever since boots, with snow on his moustache.

Sue Lawley stopped even feigning and a cool head in emergencies. avoidable. A series called interest in the question "could you But I liked him, especially when he explained that survival depended on looking into the wilderness and not just at it. Incidentally, the way to extract drinking water from an Arctic landscape turned out to be quite complicated: lighting a little fire under special glacial ice, then filtering it through a descending series of pools. The natural instinct just to pack snow in your mouth and suck like crazy was so stupid, apparently, it didn't even rate a

> t midnight on Channel 4, a discussion programme called For the Love of ... considered the startling proposition (first put forward in a movie called Capricorn One, surely?) that the Nasa Moon landings in 1969 were faked up in telly studios. Six earnest people - a loose affiliation, at a guess - explained their suspicions of conspiracy to a

REVIEW

Who was that moon-booted ice tucker man?



Lynne Truss

languid, tousle-haired young journalist called Jon Ronson, who lounged in an armchair and occasionally lit cigarettes. Ronson was so laid-back that at first the show threatened to be like a classic paranoid psychiatrist scenario, with the guests saying "Nobody listens to us!" and Ronson rubbing his eyes and saying "Huh?" But it turned out to be a

fascinating hour of telly. Ronson

all very persuasive, yet at the same time...difficult to take."

allowed his guests to speak, and they warmed up. They showed the famous Moon-surface photos of the astronauts and explained the impossible directional lighting. unobtainable on the Moon. Given enough rope, of course, all conspiracy theorists hang themselves, by claiming that the Government is sending messages to ET through Noel's House Party - and that if you count the spots on Mister Blobby, they spell "I'm John Lennon, let me our". Well, so it proved on For the Love of ... But the photo evidence was still a valid puzzle. As Ronson put it: "This is

It's sad to think that rational thought is not natural to human beings; it has to be instilled by training (and generally isn't). Hearing these people argue that the script of Independence Day contains "messages" makes you wonder whether at least The

rarily, to give the mind-trainers a rare clear run. Perhaps the most persuasive moment of the whole hour was when a guest defended his integrity by concluding "After all, we're not being paid for appearing here tonight". Well, that proves something doesn't it?

hen I was a child, I seemed always to be writing the same II-plus composition: a day in the life of a penny. It was a rotten thing to do to a kid. The penny would start off in someone's pocket and then be given to a bus conductor, then fall down a drain, then pay for a broken biscuit. You see the problem? Whatever you did with this damn brown coin, you could never give its destiny any kind of shape.

Evidently Norman Hull had a similar education, because for his Cutting Edge last night (Channel 4), he chose a year in the life of a

X-Files should be banned tempo- Derby City General Hospital bed - an idea with precisely the same potential for disappointment as the old one-dee. True, he made a rather beautiful film, with delicately sketched incidental characters. But, I don't know, that damn metal bed never came alive, somehow. Not even when its castors were replaced.

I assume the repeated reference to parliamentary debate was significant (tellies on the wards showed NHS wrangles in the House of Commons). But the political agenda of this film was too subtle for me. It seemed to be showing a lot of patients well cared for, in a pleasant environment, and getting better. Inconsequential was the word for it. But meanwhile a long, bloody gall bladder was hooked out of someone's body in precisely the same way that an lnuit hooks a seal through the ice. A spooky coincidence, eh? Or was it some sort of . , . message?

BBC1 6.00am Business Breakfast (99729)

7.00 BBC Breakfast News (1) (94187) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (1) (8404019) 9.20 Style Challenge (1134458) 9.45 Kilroy (6492922)

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10.30 Can't Cook, Won't Cook (39187) 11.00 News (T) and weather (6078125) 11.05 The Really Useful Show (3042274) 11.35 Change That (5953903) 12.00 News (T) (6070651)

12.05pm The Alphabet Game (5663019) 12.30 Going for a Song (7947854) 12.55 The Weather Show (34981800) 1.00 One O'Clock News (T) and weather

1.30 Regional News (98988583) 1.40 Neighbours (T) (20557274) 2.05 Snowy River (8832854) . 2.50 As Time Goes By (r) (T) (5476880) 3.20 Noble Castles (1606057)

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5.35 Neighbours (r) (139903) 6.00 Six O'Clock News (1) and weather (598) 6.30 Regional News (390) 7.00 Hollday India, a winter break in Portugal,

a Jeep safari in southwest Turkey, and Bath (2922) 7.30 EastEnders Tensions rise to boiling point behind the bar in the Vic (T) (813) 8.00 Children's Hospital The staff freet a boy who fell from a first-floor window and a youngster who was knocked down by a

8.30 999 Lifesavers (7477) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News (1) and weather

9,30 One Foot in the Grave Victor and Margaret invite Mrs Warboys to stay at their house until her flooded flat thies out (77835) WALES: 9.30 Week in Week Out (77835) 10:00 One Foot in the Grave (77835) 10:00 One Foot in the Grave (54495) 10:30 Inside Story (228816) 11:20 FILM: Obsessed (335800) 12:50 FILM: Cop for the Killing (7070930) 2:20-Weather (5997084)

10.00 Inside Story Cameras follow a team of benefit fraud investigators as they tollow up anonymous tip-offs (332458)

10.50 Obsessed (1982) with Shannen Doherty and William Devene. Middle-aged divorce William Devane begins a passionate affair with attractive 22-yearold girl but soon discovers an unhealthy side to her personality after ending their relationship. Directed by Jonathan Senger (9765670)

12.20am Cop for the Killing (1990) Starring James Farentino, Charles Hald and Steven Weber, Fact-based thrifter about a tight-knit squad of undercover nercotics agents form apart after the murder of an officer in the line of duty. Directed by Dick LOWry (9194152) 1.50 Westher (2778201)

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5.30 True Romance Living with a Down's syndrome child (312309)

5.50 Lifetime (r) (875729) 6.00 The Fresh Prince of Bel Air (r) (152380) 6.25 Heartbreak High (1) (159564) 7.10 The O Zone (525832)

7.25 Della's Red Nose Collection Jernifer Saunders helps to prepare Bloody Mary soup (T) (904125) 7.30 The Numbers Game examines turbu-

lence (815)

8.00 Home Front (r) (9212) 8.30 Food and Drink Michael Barry prepares an Indian lamb dish and Jilly Goolden and Oz Clarke recommend Portuguese wine (1) (5019)



Timewatch: Love Story Two German woman, thrown together by the war, tall passionately in love. Lilly Wust is married to a soldier, has four sons and a picture of Hitler on the wall, white Felice Schragenheim is elegant, sophisticated — and Jewish (T)

9.50 Della's Red Nose Collection (r) (T) (958187)

10.90 Have I Got Old News for You with Mark Little and Nigel Lawson (1) (52038) 10.30 Newsnight with Kirsty Wark (T) (400553) Face to Face: Bob Monitrouse Sir Jersmy

entertainer (735941)

Isaacs digs into the past of the veteran 12.00 The Midnight Hour Political chair presented by Sir Bernard Ingham (89152) 12.30em-6.00 The Learning Zone: Open University — Wood, Brass and Beboon Bones (86713) 1.00 The Front

Desk (47249) 1.30 The Census (86626)

2.00 Learnespress (30607) 4.00 IT (83959) 5.00 Europe (40666) 5.30 Film

### CHOICE

Timewatch: Love Story BBC2, 9.00pm

Lilly was a 26-year-old mother of four, married to a Nazi, when she fell in love with a Jew in wartime Berlin. Not only that, but the Jew was another woman. Doubly dangerous given the Hitler regime's attitude towards what it saw as sexual deviants, their affair is vividly reconstructed by one of our clay. She had a huge slice of luck. The film would probably not have been possible had not Lilly, now in her eighties, been willing to face the cameras and speak frankly. But Clay has tracked down other first-hand witnesses, as well as surviving photographs and letters, and makes judicious use of archive film. What emerges is a genuine, if unlikely, love story. Lilly does not regret the affair, though she must wish it had happened at a different time and place.

Inside Story: To Catch a Cheat? BBC1, 10.00pm (Scotland, 10.30pm)

Since the Government set up the benefits fraud hotline last year, 1,000 callers a day have been phoning in with information designed to nail the cheats. But if Ian Stuttard's film is representative, many of these whistleblowers seem, maliciously or otherwise, to be on the wrong track. The cameras follow Benefits Agency investigators as they tackle the two most common sources of traud. One is claiming benefit while working, the other is claiming as a single person while living with a partner. Sometimes the Agency detectives do hit the jackpot, though the miscreants are generally poor people looking for a bit of extra cash rather than organised criminals. But in other cases the evidence is far too slim to warrant action. Curiously, the £3 billion lost in fraud each year is outweighed by the amount of benefit which is not claimed.

No Child of Mine ITV., 10.40pm

You would not think so many dreadful things could happen to one young person. We first meet Kerry when she is ten. Her father sends her out to be a prostitute, he mother sexually abuses her and her steplather rapes her. Entering a children's home, she is pimped and raped all over again. It begins to sound like some ghastly parody of human perversion, except that it really happened. If Guy Hibbert's script comes across more as a case history than a drama, then case history is what it is. Criticism is reserved for the "system". The deeper question, of why five people should be engaged in violating one child, is never considered. Merely to raise it is probably disturbing enough. Kerry is played by Brooke Kinsella, an actress we shall surely

For somebody whose smile seems as permanent as his tan, Bob Monkhouse admits to more than his share of personal anguish. At times his chat with Sir Jeremy Isaacs seems more like In the Psychiatrist's Chair. Take his parents. Dad was "a glum man, much given to parsimony". His mother found it impossible to show her affection and only hugged him twice in her life. So, suggests Isaacs, was that why from a small boy he wanted to hear laughter and be the cause of it? Good question. And there was Gary, Monkhouse's son, who had cerebra palsy and died aged 40. How did that experience square with the all-smiling persona? The smile is temporarily wiped as Monkhouse tries to explain. In lighter vein we get the definitive explanation of that

6.00mm GMTV (1048187) 9.25 Win; Lose or Draw (1142477) 9.55 Regional News (T) (5110941) 10.00 The Time, the Place (76293) 10.30 This Morning (T) (33390800) 12.20pm Regional News (T) (6076835)

12.30 News (T) and weather (7932922) 12.55 Shortland Street (1) (7940941) 1.25 Home and Away (T) (15670564) 1.50 Alternoon Live (20562106)

2.20 Vanesta: Wrongly Accessed (T) (30461106) 2.50 Afternoon Live (5478748)

3.20 News (1) (7006093) 3.25 Regional News (T) (8456534) 3.30 Potamus Park (7185038) 3.40 Vicadora (1) (9796800) 3.50 Bimble's Bucket (1) (9898212) 4.00 Scooby Doo (1154090) 4.15 Hey Amold (T) (9454477)

4.40 Frighteners: The Promise The first of four tales of the supernatural Nikki has promised to meet Ruth at midnight at the fomb of a 17th-century which but is confronted instead by a young rector. But who is he really (T) (3980767)

5.10 Getaways (7428477) 5.40 ITN News (I) and weether (305019) 6.00 Home and Away (T) (156106) 6,25 HTV Weather (826075)

6,30 HTV News (458) 7.00 Emmerdale Frank attempts to fend off the press (T) (7090)

7.30 The Trouble with Kids A five-part series on parenting following the progress of a group of Bristol parents who are having problems managing their children (670) 8.00 The Brit Awards 1997 hosted by Ben Elton. The winners of 15 awards will be performances by British and international

10.00 News at Ten (T) and weather (49564) 10.30 Regional News (T) (884651)



Brooke Kinselia as Kerty (10.40pm)

10.40 No Child of Mine A herrowing drama based on the shocking and moving true story of an abused child. With Brooke Kinselia, Colin Salom and Billy Geraghty (T) (71480903) 12.15am Collins and Maconie's Movie Club

12.45 Ed's Night Party with cult figure Ed the 1.15 Stand and Deliver Anthony H Wilson

hosts the debate show with a twist (492171)2.15 The Chart Show (483423)

3.15 Coach (73133) 3.45 Football Extra (1073959) 4.30 The Time, the Place (55268) 5.00 The Village Show (91572)

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5.20 Asian Eye (2236171)

As HTV West except 12.55pm-1.25 A Country Practice (7940941) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (7428477) 6.25-7.00 Central News (430941)

7,30-8.00 Heart of the Country (670) 12.45am Film: The Lookalike (1990). A stylier starring Melissa Gilbert-Brinkman, Diane Ladd and Bo Brinkman Directed by Gary

Nelson (549775) 2.25 In Focus (8923510) 3.10 Football Extra (6349539) 3.55 The Big Match Replayed (6441688) 4.35 Central Jobfinder '97 (8616862)

### WESTCOUNTRY

As HTV West except: 12.20pm-12.30 illuminations (6076835) 12.55-1.25 Wish You Were Here? (7940941) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (7428477) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (67458)

7.30-8.00 Jeck Pizzey's Coastine. Pizzey visits Sidmouth, Beer, Torquey and Danmouth (570)

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5.10-5.40 Home and Away (7428477) 6.00 Meridian Tonight (106) 6.30-7.00 Surprise Chefs (458) 7.30-8.00 Serve You Right Live (670) 5.00am Freescreen (91572)

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As HTV West except: 12.19pm Angila Air Watch (6088670) 12.55-1.25 A Country Practice (7940941) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (7428477) 6.23 Anglia Weather (476534) 6.25-7.00 Anglia News (430941)

7.30-8.00 Nurses (670) 10.29 Anglia Air Watch (207125)

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3.00 Collectors' Lot (3651) 3.30 Montel Williams (564)

4.00 Fifteen-to-One (699) 4.30 TV Dinners (583) 5.00 5 Pump (5496) 5.30 Countdown (835) 6.00 Newyddion (763545)

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9.00 Cutting Edge (6899) 10.00 Brookside (716496) 10.35 Dark Skies (953090) 11.30 Seriously Funny (36309)

12.30am Hill Street Blues (8373249)

1.25 For the Love Of (5847423)

### CHANNEL 4

6.00am Sesame Street (15767) 7.00 The Big Breaklast (10125) 9.00 Bewitched (f) (f) (59941) 9.30 Schools (808903) 12.00 House to House (46477) 12.30pm Here's One I Made Earlier (r) (80309) 1.00 Cybill (r) (T) (24285767) 1.25 Token Gesture (14927274)

Garson and Watter Progeon, Biographical drama about Edna Gladney, who founded the Texas Children's Home and Aid Society Directed by Mervyn LeRoy (T) (78892922)

One (T) (699) 4,30 Countdown (T) (583) 5.00 Rick Lake (T) (5496) 5,30 Pet

Rescue (1) (835) 6.00 Friends: The One with George Stephanopoulous (r) (T) (154748)

6.55 Fresh Pop (923467) 7.00 Channel 4 News (T) and weather

7.55 The Sports Photographer Jim White looks at the shortlist for Sports Photographer of the Year (944903)



camines how the forces of moral affected comedy over the centuries (1)

10.00 Ed McRain's 87th Precinct (1994) with

11.40 Film Night Special: The English Patient Behind the scenes of Anthony Minghella's multi-Oscar nominated film which stars Raiph Fiennes and Kristin

Scott-Thomas (809090) 12.40cm The Typewriter, the Rifle & the Movie Camera Tim Robbins interviews

1.45 Park Row (1952) with Gene Evans and Mary Welch. Drama set in the world of newspaper publishing. Directed by Sam Fuller (4577 152)

3,10 Hinekero Goes on a Picnic and Blows Up Another Obelisk (74517249) 3,30 Someone to Love (1987) with Orson

5.20 Almost Complete History of the Twentieth Century (r) (1) (5159336) 5.35 Beckdate (r) (T) (2044268)

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SKY NEWS: Worldwide news coverage, with bulletins on the hour, 24 hours a day, seven days a week SKY MOVIES

8.00am Chemplons: A Love Story (1979) (33915) 8.00 Bear island (1960) (1,1380) 10.00 Someone: Elev's Child (1984) (1998) 12.00 Run Wild, Run Free (1885) (41813) 2.00pm The Magic of the Golden Bear (1995) (1985) 4.00 The In-Crowd (1988) (1689) 6.00 is Could Happen to Four (1994) (4900) 8.00 Forget Parts (1995) (51826) 10.00 Robocop 3 (1993) (52990) 17.45 An Abshithy Sig Adventure (1994) (304851) 1.40am Love Affair (1994) (436274) 3.25 Sacrats (1994)

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FOX KIDS NETWORK 6.00mh Three Little Ghosts (7295361) 6.30 Inspector Gadget (9838941) 7.00 Semural Pozz Cata (5810632) 7.30 Mighty Morphin Power Rangers (\$659767) 8.00 Mesked Rider (5307922) 8.30 Crossdoo (5308293) 9.00 Rimba's Island (1678900) 9.25 Why-Why Family (5375545) 9.30 Zoobise Zoo (1686930) 9.45 Why Why Family (1681545) 10.00 Rimba's Island (3494075) 10.25 Why Why Family (7894361) 10.90 Zoobise Zoo (21216293) 10.55 Why Why Family (75621539) 11.00 Psincess Starta and the Jewes Riders (4806564) 11.30 Propoches (4807293) 12,00 889 the Cat (5317308) 12,30pm Princess State and the Jewel Riders (5679822) 1,00 Princethio (5619903) Riders (9679922) 1.00 Pinoctrio (5619903) 1.36 Billy the Cat (9678263) 2.00 Three Lette Ghosts (5890822) 2.30 Inspector Liste Ghosts (\$890922) 2.30 Inspector Gadget (\$894125) 3.00 Semusia Ptza Cats [5886/729] 3.30 Ao3 Vertiste (passes n./l +u.w. Casper (5885477) 4.30 Mighty Mcrphin Power Rangers (3974361) 5.00 Missied Rater (5881274) 5.30 Spiciermen (399841) 5.00 Gooseburnps (398564) 5.30-7.00 Sweet Velley High (3986106)

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THE SCI-FI CHANNEL 8.00pm Amazing Stones (4376729) 8.30 Fil.Mr Allien (1979) (2292699) 10.30 Invasion of Independence Day (1002011) 11,00 The Inveders (8853455) 12,00 Incredible Hulk (8714976) 1,00es Twitght Zono (6776930) 1,30 Tales of the Unexpedded (2603962) 2,00 100 Years of Horror TLC/DISCOVERY

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PARAMOUNT COMEDY

100 Cheers (84699) 8.30 Monty Python's Plying Circus (1477) 9.00 Cheers (84699) 8.30 Taxi (10187) 10.00 Garry Shanzling (55589) 10.30 Finsier (80459) 11.30 Monty Python's in Science (56816) 11.30 Monty Python's Flying Circus (61309) 12.00 The Critic (65810) 12.30mm Soap (26133) 1.00 Cheors (99249) 1.30 Taxi (36626) 2.00 Entertainment UK (50423) 2.30 Micdem Problems in Science (39930) 3.00 Fracter 41323) 3.30-4.00 Garry Shandling (53510)

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Conservationists at work (8.00pm)

8.00 Wings: Night Birds (7/8) Ellen Kelly and Chris Coles study owts in the Kielder Forest, Northumberland (1) (4380) 8.30 Brookside Has Mick finally pushed

Sinbad too lar? (T) (4877) 9.00 Seriously Funny: How the Devil Became a Holy Fool Howard Jacobson

Randy Quaid, Alex McArthur and Ron Perkins, Tense police thriller with two detectives investigating the murders of potential Olympic athletes. Directed by Bruce Paltrow (T) (772895)

the legendary Hollywood maverick Sam

Welles and Henry Jaglom, An exploration of relationships in Hollywood, directed by Henry Jaglom (560336)

5.30 ITN Morning News (84607) SATELLITE AND CABLE

GRANADA GOOD LIFE From 9.00-12.00 TV High Street From 9.00-12.00 Food and Wine From 3 00-6 00 Home and Garden THE HISTORY CHANNEL

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# England happy to go it alone

# Fifa rules out joint bid for World Cup

FIFA yesterday dismissed any possibility of a joint bid by England and Germany to stage the 2006 World Cup. Football's international governing body ended speculation about co-hosting, which had been revived on Sunday night by reports that the German federation was considering the plan.

Both countries will now push ahead to get the backing of Uefa, the European govern-ing body, for their individual applications to stage the 32-nation tournament. On February 7, Uefa withdrew its unequivocal support for Germany, dating back to 1993, and agreed to consider bids from its other member countries, including England.

Keith Cooper, the Fifa spokesman, said yesterday that even if a joint application were put forward, it would not gain approval". He said: "Fifa decided, after awarding the 2002 finals jointly to Japan and South Korea, that the subsequent finals would revert to being played in one

The German federation had earlier said that Egidius Braun, its president, had been misunderstood in an interview that he gave to ARD, the national television station, on Sunday. Michael Novak, the spokesman for the DFB, said that at no point was the subject

According to the transcript of the interview, Braun was asked if Uefa had already made a decision to back the German application. Braun replied: "Uefa had always assumed that Germany would be the only [European] country bidding and had always said: 'We support Germany.' But after the European championship, the English came, and I said to Franz

Beckenbauer on January 14:

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'It is time that we talk with England [about] whether we can have one European bid or whether we should not have a

Novak said that the word "split" referred to whether Europe would have an application from one country or two, and not whether Germany and England would

Novak said: There was never any suggestion that he [Braun] was talking about sharing the World Cup. It was clear that he was talking about a split in bidding for the cup. not in sharing it."

Alec McGivan, the director of England's application to stage the tournament, said on

Middlesbrough will attempt to win back the three points that were deducted by the FA Premier League at an appeal on March 26. George Carman QC will represent the club at Lancaster Gate. The points were deducted for Middlesbrough's failure to fulfil the FA Carling Premiership fixture at Blackburn in December.

BBC Radio: "If our colleagues at the German FA come to us with some form of proposals or plan, we would have the courtesy to discuss it with

"I don't think we can say no to anything straight away. But we have a very strong bid on our own which can stand up on its own. For us, the only option under consideration is our own bid, and that is not going to change in the near

The Football Association announced its interest in the competition last July after successfully staging the Euro-pean championship finals,

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which made a record profit for Ucfa of more than £60 million.

The suggestion that England and Germany might jointly stage the 2006 competition was raised after a threehour meeting in London on February 7, when the FA persuaded Uefa to back down. Gerhard Aigner, the gener-

al secretary of Uefa, said that a compromise plan for co-hosting had not been ruled out. Aigner, who is himself German, said: "I come from a country where compromises are always sought ... we will

In April, the German and English associations will meet Uefa to discuss whether they can agree on the criteria by which only one nation will be nominated by the European

governing body.

The FA has said that if it agrees the criteria, it will also accept Uefa's final decision. even if Germany is chosen. Uefa wants to avoid a damage ing and expensive conflict similar to the one between South Korea and Japan for the right to hold the 2002 World Cup, which resulted in them becoming joint hosts.

It is not certain, however, that any European country will stage the event, particularly since candidates still have at least two years to apply. With France to hold the 1998 tournament, the 2006 finals might go to South America, which has not staged the event since Mexico in 1986, or Africa, which has never hosted the competition.

It is only at the end of next year that Fifa will send out letters to all national associations - except those in Asia asking for bids. The deadline for applications is February 1999, and the deadline for guarantees from bidding nations that they can meet the necessary conditions will be September 1999. The Fifa executive committee will make its decision in June 2000.



Beilamy, left, and Ayer, the Oxford and Cambridge boat club presidents, in London yesterday for the Official Boat Race Challenge

# Bellamy misses university challenge

By MIKE ROSEWELL OWING CORRESPONDENT

FOR the second year running a president will not have the honour of rowing in the Univ-ersity Boat Race, in 1996 John Carver, of Cambridge, stood down with an injury. At the Official Boat Race Challenge erday, at the Oxo Tower in London, Ed Bellamy, the Oxford president, duly challenged Ethan Ayer, his opposite number, but presum-ably with a tinge of regret since Bellamy, a Blue in 1996 and a former Great Britain international and winner at Henley, was not in the Oxford

line up that was named. Bellamy, as a result of final trials, lost the last place in the Blue Boat to Charlie Humphreys, five years his junior and a later product of Hampton, his old school.

Bellamy, as president, took his omission philosophically. Referring to Humphreys, he said: "I just kept him out last year. He has done it to me this year. You have to let the young Dundee demed, page 44 ones come up. At least he Keller in demand, page 44 comes from the right school."

Bellamy will continue to row in Isis, the reserve boat.

Oxford named their final line-up yesterday, but Cambridge, chasing a fifth successive win, hedged their bets, as in 1995, by naming a squad of nine oarsmen. Unlike in 1995, they did select the Kevin Whyman, the 1996 Blue, being preferred to Suzie Ellis, the top female performer in Great Britain. although Robin Williams, the Cambridge coach, said: "It was the hardest selection decision of the whole year." Ellis, who went straight to Cam-bridge from the Olympic

Games last year, will steer

Goldie, the reserve boat.

The Oxford crew contains no Blues, the non-selection of Bellamy having been preced-ed by the decision of Damian West, the Britain international and only other 1996 Blue, to withdraw from the scene a month ago injured.

all former Britain junior internationals in the persons of James Roycroft, Charlie Humphreys and Alex Greaney, the cox, have made the "big one" this year, but the other six are all new to Oxford. Best knownbronze medal-winner for Britain in the corders fours in Atlanta, Luka Grubor, of Croatia, and Roberto Blanda, of

Italy. Blanda will be the first Italian to row in the Boat Race. Andrew Lyndsay and Nick Robinson, the exceptional Great Britain juniors, have achieved selection in their first year, and Jordan Irving, a member of the Yale crew last year and a United States under-23 international, com-

pletes the line-up. Cambridge's nine predictably include Ayer, a Blue from the United States, Alex Story, a Great Britain Olympian, and Brad Crombie, the Canada international. A bonus is James Ball, their 1996 stroke, who decided just before Christmas to try to make the team again.

breaking Goldie crew -David Cassidy, Roger Piro. from Ireland, and Alan Watgreater things, and Toby Wallace and Damien Maltarp, the remaining two, are young late developers. Maltarp, a Dane, was educated at Eton before starting to row at Cambr

The potential line-ups for the 1997 race, at 4pm on March 29, have a more youthful look than in recent years, Oxford fielding five undergraduates while Cambridge at present have eight.

Cambridge, at an average height of 6ft 5in, boast a Boat Race height record, with Ayer remaining the tailest compet-itor in the history of the race at 6ft 84 in. Length of levers help in rowing and Cambridge

certainly have this. The 143rd Boat Race will mark II years of sponsorship by Beefeater Gin. E3.38 million having gone into Oxford and Cambridge rowing dur-ing this period. Besteater has spent twice this amount again in promoting its sponsorship worldwide.

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# Suker puts Arsenal and United on shopping list

DAVOR SUKER, Real Madrid's Croatia forward, could become the latest high-priced import to the FA Carling Premiership. Suker travelled to London yesterday, officially on a shopping trip with his girlfriend, Anna O'Brigon, a celebrated Spanish actress.

In fact, he was in England to talk to officials from Arsenal. Real Madrid are, apparently, prepared to allow him to leave Soain at the end of the season for a fee approaching EIO

Suker is the joint top-scorer in the Spanish league this season with 21 goals. However, Arsenal face opposition Manchester United manager, who is also an admirer. Suker is aware of this and spent much of yesterday attempting to make contact with the English champions to express his interest in a move to Old Traffood.

It remains to be seen if Manchester United are sufficiently interested to consider spending £10 million on a

yesterday, despite his defeat

by Marc Rosset, of Switzer-

land, in the final of the

European Community cham-



Suker: talks

player who has recently reached the age of 29. Arsenal are certainly interested. Arsime Wenger sees the Croatian - who had scored 17 goals in 18 games before the European championship last summer, and was the top scorer in the qualifying tournament with 12 goals in ten games - as a perfect foil for

Dennis Bergkzunp. Suker scored a hat-trick for Real on Sunday in the 6-1 defeat of Real Oviedo, but he has apparently come to the

for a difficult period from the

which now appears certain to

They have acquired a new coach in Fabio Capello, once of AC Milan, and despite his goalscoring feats the Spanish giants have their eyes on a new man. Capello wants to sign George Weah, once his charge at Milan and that would mean no place for

Manchester United are keen to sign another forward, but they have now missed the deadline for signing players available to play in the European Cup this season.

Sassa Curcic underlined his

desire to leave Aston Villa yesterday by handing in an official transfer request. His decision means that he will lose around £100,000 in bonuses that would have otherwise been due to him. Brian Little, the Villa manager, said: "He will lose certain financial agreements - and not many

### players would do that. His request for a move isn't a mercenary thing and he just wants to play football."

Henman rises five ranking places TIM HENMAN'S world tenfar too few to achieve consisnis ranking rose from 19 to 14 tently good results and he is in

> point of view of rankings. Last March he reached the Key Biscayne. semi-finals of both the Rotter-

to go to the United States to compete in the Indian Wells tournament before going on to the Lipton championships in

Henman believes his poor

### Clubs await new deal on television

CLUBS in each of the home rugby unions will be on tenterhooks to see what financial assistance they will receive, should reports of an announcement today of a television agreement be substantiated (David Hands writes).

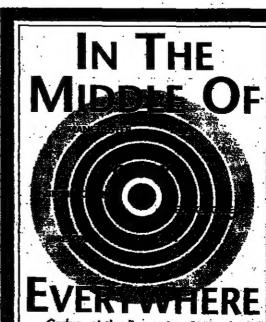
Revenue from televising the game is seen as a vital ingredient in funding the professional clubs, many of whom have struggled desperately this season to sustain contracts with their

England already have an ment worth £87.5 million with BSkyB, the satellite company part-owned by News International owner of The Times, which at one stage last year seemed likely cause their exclusion from the five nations' champion-

However, BSkyB may now have switched its interest from an involvement with the three other home unions to the European club competition, the Heineken Cup, which has been so successful in its brief existence, though the sponsors undoubtedly would also wish for terrestrial television

There is speculation that the BBC, which has always televised the five nations, but whose present contract ends next month, will retain those championship matches not involving England.

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